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THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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1 **There is no reportable action as a result of the**
2 **Board of Supervisors' closed session held today.**

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6 [GAVEL.]

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8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. WELCOME TO
9 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUGUST 2, 2016
10 MEETING. THIS MEETING WILL COME TO ORDER. THE INVOCATION THIS
11 MORNING WILL BE LED BY BILL SINKO, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
12 COMMUNITY FAMILY GUIDANCE CENTER IN CERRITOS, REPRESENTING THE
13 FOURTH DISTRICT, AND THE PLEDGE WILL BE LED BY ABRAHAM
14 PADILLA, FORMER SERGEANT, UNITED STATES ARMY, WEST HOLLYWOOD,
15 REPRESENTING THE THIRD DISTRICT. ALL MEMBERS PLEASE STAND.

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17 **BILL SINKO:** THANK YOU. PLEASE BOW YOUR HEAD. LET'S PRAY. LORD,
18 FORGIVE US OF OUR SINS AGAINST YOU AND AGAINST OTHERS. AND WE
19 PRAY THAT YOU'D JUST COME IN AND HEAL OUR LAND. WE PRAY, LORD,
20 FOR YOUR PROTECTION OVER ALL OF OUR FAMILIES, OUR CHILDREN
21 AND, LORD, OVER OUR LIVELIHOODS. WE PRAY, LORD, FOR OUR
22 COMMUNITY, OUR CITIZENS. WE PRAY FOR OUR INSTITUTIONS, OUR
23 OFFICIALS. WE PRAY FOR OUR BUSINESSES. AND, LORD, AGAIN, WE
24 PRAY FOR OUR FAMILIES AND CHILDREN WHO, LORD ARE JUST UNDER
25 ATTACK THESE DAYS, IT SEEMS LIKE. WE PRAY FOR SAFETY AND WELL-



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1 BEING OF OUR GOVERNING OFFICIALS, LORD. WE THANK YOU THAT YOU
2 GIVE THEM WISDOM, GODLY WISDOM, FOR ALL THE DECISIONS THAT
3 THEY HAVE TO MAKE THROUGHOUT THE DAY THAT AFFECT SO MANY. WE
4 THANK YOU, LORD, THAT YOUR WILL BE DONE. AND WE PRAY FOR THE
5 GOOD OF THE PEOPLE TO BE DONE THROUGH THEM. LORD, WE PRAY FOR
6 THE STAFF MEMBERS AND THE OFFICIALS SUPPORTING OUR OFFICIALS,
7 LORD, THAT ARE IN OFFICE; AND WE PRAY THAT YOU PROTECT THEM
8 AND GIVE THEM GOOD HEALTH. LORD, WE THANK YOU FOR WISDOM FOR
9 THEM, AS WELL. LORD, WE LIFT UP TO YOU OUR SCHOOL OFFICIALS
10 AND OUR TEACHERS. WE THANK YOU, LORD, FOR THE BURDEN THAT THEY
11 HAVE TO BRING UP THE NEW GENERATION, LORD. AND WE THANK YOU
12 THAT YOU GIVE THEM WISDOM FOR THAT. BLESS THEM IN THEIR
13 EFFORTS. WE LIFT UP OUR SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO YOU, LORD, AND WE
14 THANK YOU, LORD, THAT YOU ARE PRESENT THERE. LORD, WE LIFT UP
15 TO YOU OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT AND OUR FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND ALL
16 THE SERVICE PEOPLE THAT ARE HELPING ON THE STREETS. LORD, WE
17 PRAY FOR YOUR PROTECTION OVER THEM. LORD, IN PSALM 91 IT SAYS
18 YOU ARE A SHIELD ABOUT US THAT NO WEAPON FORMED AGAINST US
19 WILL PROSPER, AND WE PRAY THAT FOR OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT AND OUR
20 FIRE OFFICERS, LORD. WE THANK YOU, WE THANK YOU, LORD, THAT
21 YOU PROTECT THEM. LORD, WE THANK YOU THAT YOU BLESS OUR LOCAL
22 BUSINESSES. WE PRAY FOR HONEST BUSINESS TO BE DONE AND
23 RIGHTEOUS BUSINESS TO BE DONE AND WE PRAY A BLESSING ON THE
24 BUSINESSES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE THANK YOU, LORD, THAT
25 EVERYBODY WOULD PROSPER AND THRIVE, LORD, IN WHAT THEY DO AND



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1 WHAT THEY PUT THEIR HANDS TO. LORD, WE ALSO THANK YOU FOR THE
2 CHURCHES, THE SERVICE CLUBS, THE NONPROFITS, EVERYBODY OUT
3 THERE DOING THEIR PART TO HELP OUT IN THE COMMUNITY. LORD, WE
4 THANK YOU FOR BLESSING THEM AND GIVING THEM WISDOM AND LEADING
5 THEM AND GUIDING THEM, LORD. AND WE THANK YOU FOR THE FINANCES
6 THAT THEY NEED TO DO THE WORK THAT YOU CALLED THEM TO DO.
7 LORD, WE THANK YOU ALSO FOR THE SPIRITUAL HEALTH OF OUR
8 COMMUNITY. AND WE THANK YOU, LORD, THAT YOU'RE PRESENT IN THIS
9 COMMUNITY, IN THIS COUNTY, LORD. LORD, WE THANK YOU ALSO FOR
10 JUSTICE FOR THOSE THAT WOULD COME IN TO ROB, CHEAT AND STEAL,
11 HUMAN TRAFFICKERS, LORD, BE BROUGHT TO JUSTICE IN JESUS' NAME.
12 LORD, WE THANK YOU THAT YOU JUST BRING IN THOSE INTO OFFICE,
13 LORD, THE NEW ONES COMING IN, THAT YOU GIVE THEM WISDOM, LORD,
14 AND THAT YOU GIVE THEM THE POWER, LORD, TO OVERSEE
15 RIGHTEOUSLY, LORD AND JUST BLESS THEM WITH WISDOM, LORD, FOR
16 THE NEW OFFICE THAT THEY'LL BE TAKING AND WE THANK YOU FOR
17 THAT. LORD, IT'S IN YOUR NAME WE PRAY, AMEN.

18

19 **ABRAHAM PADILLA:** PLEASE FACE THE FLAG. PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND
20 OVER YOUR HEART. IF YOU'RE A VETERAN, YOU MAY RENDER A HAND
21 SALUTE. PLEASE JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF
22 ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE IS RECOGNIZED.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. MEMBERS, IT'S MY PLEASURE
2 TO THANK AND WELCOME BILL SINKO FROM THE COMMUNITY FAMILY
3 GUIDANCE CENTER IN CERRITOS. BILL GREW UP AND LIVED MOST OF
4 HIS LIFE IN THE SAN PEDRO AREA. HE IS A RETIRED CITY OF EL
5 SEGUNDO POLICE OFFICER. HE WAS AN ORDAINED MINISTER OF
6 COTTONWOOD CHURCH IN LOS ALAMITOS AND IS CURRENTLY INVOLVED
7 WITH THE CORNERSTONE CHURCH IN LONG BEACH. IN ADDITION TO HIS
8 INVOLVEMENT WITH CORNERSTONE, HE IS ALSO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
9 COMMUNITY FAMILY GUIDANCE CENTER. IT'S A CHILDREN'S MENTAL
10 HEALTH PROVIDER UNDER CONTRACT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
11 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH. BILL HOPES TO SERVE OUT THE
12 REMAINDER OF HIS WORKING DAYS MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THIS
13 COMMUNITY AND THE LIVES OF THE MANY HURTING CHILDREN THAT
14 COMMUNITY FAMILY GUIDANCE SERVES EACH AND EVERY DAY. BILL AND
15 HIS WIFE HAVE BEEN MARRIED FOR 30 YEARS, HAVE TWO DAUGHTERS.
16 ONE IS A TEACHER, AND THE OTHER IS A MUSIC ARTIST. SO, ON
17 BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES, BILL, WE WANT TO THANK YOU
18 FOR TAKING THE TIME OUT OF YOUR BUSY SCHEDULE TO JOIN US AND
19 TO BLESS US. THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORDS OF WISDOM. [APPLAUSE.]

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21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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23 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. OUR PLEDGE TODAY
24 WAS LED BY U.S. ARMY SERGEANT ABRAHAM PADILLA. SERGEANT
25 PADILLA SERVED IN IRAQ AND WAS DECORATED WITH THREE ARMY



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1 ACHIEVEMENT MEDALS, GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL AND A NATIONAL DEFENSE
2 SERVICE MEDAL, AMONG OTHER COMMENDATIONS. TODAY HE WORKS AS AN
3 ELIGIBILITY WORKER IN THE COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND
4 CHILDREN'S SERVICES. HE'S MARRIED AND LIVES IN WEST HOLLYWOOD.
5 PLEASE HELP ME TO THANK HIM. [APPLAUSE.]

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7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. AT THIS TIME, MEMBERS, WE'LL
8 HAVE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE CALL THE AGENDA.

9

10 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR AND
11 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 3,
12 REPORT. ON ITEM R-1, THE DIRECTOR OF THE HEALTH AGENCY
13 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO SEPTEMBER 20, 2016. ON
14 PAGE 4, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 1-15, ON ITEM NO. 2, THIS
15 ITEM IS AMENDED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA AND CHAIR SOLIS AND
16 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT
17 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 3, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND
18 SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS
19 ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 6, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS
20 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 7, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
21 THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEMS NO. 8 AND 9,
22 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD.
23 ON ITEM NUMBER 11, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND A MEMBER OF THE
24 PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 12, A
25 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON



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1 ITEM NO. 15, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
2 AMENDED TO DELETE "SECTION 8 HOUSING VOUCHERS," AND INSTEAD
3 ADD "HOUSING AUTHORITY EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE." AND A MEMBER OF
4 THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE REMAINING
5 ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THOSE ITEMS ARE MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
8 KUEHL. SECONDED, WITHOUT OBJECTION.

9

10 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 12, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS
11 16 THROUGH 44, ON ITEM NO. 18, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS
12 REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEMS 20 AND 21, MEMBERS
13 OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEM
14 22, THIS MATTER IS REVISED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA AND A
15 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON
16 ITEM 23 AND 24, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT
17 THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEM 28, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS
18 REQUESTED THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEMS 30 AND 31,
19 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD.
20 ON ITEM 32, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS
21 ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 36, SUPERVISORS KNABE AND SOLIS AND A
22 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE
23 REMAINING MATTERS UNDER THE CONSENT CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ITEMS ARE MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.
2 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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4 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 23, SEPARATE MATTERS, ITEMS
5 45 THROUGH 46, ON ITEM 45, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS
6 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. AND ON ITEM 46, THIS IS A
7 RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTIONS TO LEVY THE 2016/17
8 SPECIAL TAXES FOR COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NOS 1, 2, 5
9 AND 7, NO. 3, IMPROVEMENT AREAS B AND C, NO. 4, IMPROVEMENT
10 AREA AND NUMBER 6, IMPROVEMENT AREA A. THIS MATTER IS BEFORE
11 YOU.

12

13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THIS ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
14 ANTONOVICH. SECONDED, WITHOUT OBJECTION.

15

16 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 24, PUBLIC HEARING, NO. 47
17 WILL BE HELD FOR PUBLIC HEARING. ON PAGE 25, MISCELLANEOUS
18 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS
19 IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
20 AGENDA, ITEMS 48-A AND 48-B. ON THOSE ITEMS, A MEMBER OF THE
21 PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THOSE ITEMS BE HELD. THAT COMPLETES
22 THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS
23 BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 1.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, MEMBERS AND
2 PUBLIC. THIS MORNING YOU MAY RECALL THAT TONIGHT IS A VERY
3 SPECIAL OCCASION. THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY, WE'LL BE CELEBRATING
4 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT. SOME OF YOU KNOW THAT NATIONAL NIGHT OUT
5 IS AN ANNUAL COMMUNITY BUILDING CAMPAIGN THAT PROMOTES
6 POLICE/COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS AND NEIGHBORHOOD CAMARADERIE TO
7 MAKE OUR NEIGHBORHOODS SAFER AND BETTER PLACES TO LIVE AND
8 THRIVE. NATIONAL NIGHT OUT PROVIDES A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY FOR
9 LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO JOIN FORCES WITH THOUSANDS OF OTHER
10 COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY IN PROMOTING COOPERATIVE
11 POLICE/COMMUNITY CRIME PREVENTION EFFORTS. IT'S ESSENTIAL THAT
12 ALL CITIZENS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY BE AWARE OF THE IMPORTANCE
13 OF CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAMS AND THE IMPACT THAT THEIR
14 PARTICIPATION CAN HAVE ON REDUCING CRIME, DRUG ACTIVITY AND
15 VIOLENCE. MANY DIFFERENT LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES PLAY A VITAL
16 ROLE IN COORDINATING THE CRIME, DRUG AND VIOLENCE PREVENTION
17 EFFORTS IN OUR COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE GREATER LOS ANGELES
18 AREA, AND WE'RE SUPPORTING TODAY THE NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2016
19 LOCALLY. BEFORE I END, I'D LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE FOLLOWING
20 INDIVIDUALS FROM VARIOUS LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES IN THE
21 COUNTY WHO ARE HERE WITH US TODAY FOR THIS SPECIAL
22 PRESENTATION. FROM OUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, WE HAVE
23 LIEUTENANT JODY HUTAK. ROUND OF APPLAUSE, PLEASE. [APPLAUSE.]
24 FROM MY OWN DISTRICT, THE CITY OF EL MONTE POLICE DEPARTMENT,
25 CHIEF DAVID REYNOSO. [APPLAUSE.] WE HAVE ALSO CHIEF STEVE HUNT



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1 FROM AZUSA POLICE DEPARTMENT. [APPLAUSE.] FROM OUR PARTNERS
2 REPRESENTING THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL, WE HAVE CAPTAIN
3 PAUL MEDEIROS AND CAPTAIN STEVE ORIA AND OFFICER GINA
4 GIORGOLA. ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR OUR FRIENDS. [APPLAUSE.] AND
5 CHIEF DAVE FAULKNER OF WEST COVINA POLICE DEPARTMENT, WHO IS
6 ALSO JOINING US TODAY. [APPLAUSE.] WE WANT TO THANK ALL OF OUR
7 LAW ENFORCEMENT PARTNERS, OUR COMMUNITY AND JUST THANK YOU.
8 THESE ARE THE BRAVE MEN AND WOMEN WHO RUN IN TO THOSE VERY
9 TERRIBLE SITUATIONS AND SOMETIMES INCIDENTS THAT WE DON'T KNOW
10 IF THEY'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO COME OUT. BUT THEY DO. AND THEY
11 MAKE THAT, THEY TAKE THAT OATH BY AND LARGE TO PROTECT OUR
12 COMMUNITY AND PROTECT US. SO TODAY WE HONOR THEM. I HOPE ALL
13 OF YOU WILL PARTICIPATE IN ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. I
14 KNOW WE HAVE SEVERAL OF THEM THROUGHOUT THE 88 CITIES. SO
15 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. AND AGAIN, WE WANT
16 TO THANK ALL OF YOU. MEMBERS, PLEASE JOIN US. [APPLAUSE.]
17 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH? MEMBERS, I HAVE A SPECIAL YOUNG GUEST
18 WHO IS HERE WITH US TODAY. AND I THINK MANY OF US MIGHT HAVE
19 SEEN HER ON TELEVISION LAST YEAR WHEN THE POPE VISITED
20 WASHINGTON, D.C. SHE HAS BECOME A BIG CELEBRITY, AND I'M HAPPY
21 THAT SHE COMES FROM THE FIRST DISTRICT. SHE IS HERE WITH HER
22 FAMILY JOINING US TODAY. AND HER NAME IS SOPHIE. SOPHIE CRUZ.
23 SOPHIE CRUZ HAS A VERY SPECIAL MESSAGE FOR MANY OF US TODAY.
24 SHE DID A VERY BRAVE THING IN WASHINGTON, D.C. WHEN SHE WAS
25 OUT THERE VISITING THE POPE. SHE RAN UP TO HIM AND GAVE HIM A



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1 LETTER. HOW IN THE WORLD DID SHE GET PAST SECRET SERVICE AND
2 HIS DETAIL? I DON'T KNOW. BUT SHE MANAGED, THROUGH THE GRACE
3 OF GOD TO GET THROUGH. AND SHE CARRIED A MESSAGE FOR MANY OF
4 US, I THINK, WHO UNDERSTAND THE ISSUES REGARDING IMMIGRATION
5 AND KEEPING FAMILIES TOGETHER AND HOW IMPORTANT THAT IS. SHE
6 SHOWED THE WORLD HOW IMMIGRATION ISSUES IMPACT CHILDREN JUST
7 LIKE HERSELF. AND SHE DREW A LOT OF ATTENTION TO HER
8 COMMUNITY. AND I HOPE THAT SHE WILL MAINTAIN HER COURAGE AND
9 BRAVERY THROUGHOUT HER LIFE. SHE'S A VERY ARTICULATE YOUNG
10 WOMAN WHO I HAD A CHANCE TO JUST MEET AND TALK TO ALONG WITH
11 HER FAMILY WHO ARE HERE TO SUPPORT HER. I WANTED TO PAY
12 TRIBUTE TO HER, BECAUSE WHEN SHE DID THAT BRAVE MOTION THERE
13 TO CONVEY A LETTER TO THE POPE TO ASK THE PRESIDENT TO HELP
14 SUPPORT IMMIGRATION REFORM SO THAT FAMILIES WOULD NOT BE TORN
15 APART, THAT SENT A MESSAGE TO ALL OF MANKIND AND ESPECIALLY IN
16 OUR GREAT COUNTRY OF THE UNITED STATES. SHE WAS BORN HERE IN
17 CALIFORNIA, AND SHE IS A U.S. CITIZEN. BUT HER BRAVERY SAYS SO
18 MUCH ABOUT WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE. AND WE CONTINUE TO FIGHT FOR
19 IMMIGRATION REFORM TO KEEP OUR FAMILIES TOGETHER. SO I WANTED
20 TO ASK SOPHIE IF SHE WOULD SAY A FEW WORDS IN ENGLISH AND THEN
21 VERY QUICKLY IN SPANISH.

22

23 **SOPHIE CRUZ:** HI, MY NAME IS SOPHIE CRUZ AND I WANT TO THANK
24 HILDA SOLIS FOR GIVING ME THIS RECOGNITION IN THE NAME OF ALL
25 CHILDREN AND IMMIGRANTS. [REPEATS IN SPANISH.] [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **SOPHIE CRUZ:** I GAVE THE POPE THE LETTER, BECAUSE I WANTED TO
3 SAY -- I WANTED TO TELL HIM TO TALK WITH THE PRESIDENT AND THE
4 CONGRESS FOR HE COULD, LIKE, FOR THE PRESIDENT TO GIVE AN
5 IMMIGRATION REFORM. AND THE LETTER SAID, PLEASE, POPE, TALK TO
6 THE PRESIDENT AND THE CONGRESS TO GIVE AN IMMIGRATION REFORM.
7 [REPEATS IN SPANISH.] [APPLAUSE.]

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9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MEMBERS WHO'D LIKE TO JOIN US? THE
10 FAMILY?

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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14 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** THIS IS A 12-WEEK-OLD MINI SCHNAUZER
15 WHO'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. NAME IS MISTER. AND HE WAS BARKING A
16 LITTLE EARLIER TODAY. SO YOU CAN CALL 562-728-4610 IF YOU
17 WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT THIS LITTLE BOY.

18

19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE, WILL YOU
20 PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF A MESSAGE FROM THE COUNTY BOARD OF
21 SUPERVISORS.

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23 **RECORDING:** LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY I PLEASE HAVE YOUR
24 ATTENTION. THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
25 SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF CONDUCT WILL NOW



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1 BE READ, AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH IT TO ENSURE THE
2 EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING. MEMBERS OF THE
3 PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S BOARD
4 HEARING, AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER,
5 THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD MUST BE BALANCED
6 WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE
7 WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE
8 REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES: SPEAKERS MUST CEASE
9 SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT
10 ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT
11 ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE
12 JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD. PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE
13 RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF.
14 PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL OF THE FORUM AND REFRAIN FROM
15 UTTERING, WRITING, OR DISPLAYING PROFANE, PERSONAL,
16 THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING OR OTHER ABUSIVE STATEMENTS
17 TOWARDS THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF, STAFF, OR ANY OTHER
18 PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE RESPECTFUL OF THE
19 VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF AND BOARD MEMBERS AND MAY
20 NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE OR OTHERWISE DISRUPT THE ORDERLY
21 CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON ENGAGEING IN CONDUCT THAT
22 DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED FROM THE
23 BOARD MEETING. AND, FINALLY, IF YOU WITNESS CONDUCT OR
24 BEHAVIOR BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT DISRUPTS YOUR
25 ABILITY TO REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING,



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1 PLEASE NOTIFY THE SERGEANT AT ARMS OR OTHER COUNTY STAFF.

2 THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

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4 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** AND, MADAME CHAIR, AT THIS TIME WE
5 WANTED TO REITERATE TO THOSE WHO HAVE COME TO THIS MEETING, IF
6 YOU WITNESS CONDUCT OR BEHAVIOR BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
7 THAT DISRUPTS YOUR ABILITY TO REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN
8 THIS MEETING, PLEASE NOTIFY THE SERGEANT AT ARMS OR OTHER
9 COUNTY STAFF.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'LL BEGIN WITH
12 CALLING UP ITEMS THAT HAVE BEEN HELD BY THE PUBLIC. DR.
13 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL HAS HELD ITEMS 8, 12, 18, AND 20. ERIC
14 PREVEN HAS HELD ITEM 6, 9, 12, 21, 23, 24, 28, 30, 31, 32, 45,
15 48-A, 48-B AND C.S.-1. ARNOLD SACHS HAS HELD ITEM 6, 12, 22,
16 23 AND 24.

17

18 **ERIC PREVEN:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AND WELCOME
19 BACK, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. WE KNOW YOU WERE AT THE CONVENTION.
20 INTERESTING. HOPE IT WENT WELL. IT DID GO WELL. ITEM NO. 45, I
21 BELIEVE, WE ARE GOING TO BE EXTENDING A GREAT COUNTY EMPLOYEE
22 ONTO THE 180-DAY RETIREE LIST TO BRING HIM BACK AND DO SOME
23 WORK, DR. GOLDBERG. I THINK IN GENERAL THIS IS BECAUSE HE'S A
24 NEED AND HE'S A TALENTED PERSON THAT COULD DO THE WORK. THE
25 THING THAT ALWAYS IRKS ME ABOUT THE WORKERS THERE IS, WHAT



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1 ABOUT THE YOUNGER WORKERS WHO ARE PUSHING TO BE UPGRADED WHO
2 ARE SEEKING THESE KINDS OF POSITIONS THAT ARE IMPORTANT? YOU
3 KNOW, I WONDER, BECAUSE THIS IS INSIDE THE UMBRELLA OF THE
4 HEALTH AGENCY, IF WE COULD NOT LOOK AT THOSE DECISIONS. I'M
5 SURE THIS WAS MADE IN THE LIGHT OF DAY. BUT IT'S AN IMPORTANT
6 DETAIL, BECAUSE PEOPLE NEED TO FEEL THAT THERE'S A POSSIBILITY
7 OF RISING UP. AND I THINK THAT THERE IS HERE AT L.A. COUNTY.
8 IN CONNECTION WITH THAT, ITEM 32 IS THE A.L.A.D.S.. THAT'S THE
9 UNION THAT REPRESENTS THE SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES WHO ARE THE SORT
10 OF FRONTLINE GUYS WHO REALLY -- AND GALS WHO DO THE HARD WORK
11 EVERY SINGLE DAY AND ARE REPRESENTED BY THREE EMPLOYEES WHO
12 THE UNION ACTUALLY PAYS FOR. BUT THAT'S INSIDING. WE'RE DOING
13 THAT. I THINK YOU SHOULD BRING THEM OUT AND LET'S IDENTIFY,
14 WHO THESE MEN AND WOMEN ARE, SO WE CAN KNOW. I'VE MET THEM
15 BEFORE, OBVIOUSLY HOFFSTEDLER AND VAN LEEUWEN, BUT THEY SHOULD
16 BE IDENTIFIED AT SOME POINT. ITEM NO. 31 IS MAYOR
17 ANTONOVICH'S. NOBODY LOVES THE SCOOPER THAN THE MAYOR, IF I
18 MAY. THE SCOOPER IS A GIANT AIRPLANE THAT DELIVERS WATER TO
19 PUT OUT FIRES AND IT'S IMPORTANT. KUEHL POINTED OUT THERE ARE
20 OTHER KINDS OF IMPORTANT AIRCRAFT TODAY. THIS ONE, I THINK
21 WE'RE LOOKING AT THE POSSIBILITY OF BUYING ONE FOR \$40
22 MILLION, VERSUS, BECAUSE FIRE SEASON IS EXTENDED, RENTING ONE.
23 I THINK WE SHOULD BE RENTING. I DON'T KNOW. IT'S A CONFUSING
24 DETAIL, BUT OBVIOUSLY FIGHTING THESE FIRES IS CRITICAL, AND
25 THANK YOU FOR YOUR DILIGENCE THERE. ITEM 21, I'M GOING TO GET



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1 A LITLTE UPSET HERE, AND 23 AND 24 ARE ALL ITEMS IN WHICH
2 WE'VE AGREED TO ADOPT THE YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM.
3 OUTSTANDING. IN EACH OF THOSE ITEMS, WE LOOK CLOSER AND
4 DISCOVER THAT, WELL, ACTUALLY WE GOT NO WORK FOR YOUTH IN
5 THESE PROGRAMS. SO LET'S TAKE OFF THAT WE'RE ADOPTING THE
6 YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM FROM THE FACE PAGE, BECAUSE IT'S
7 FALSE REPRESENTATION. OR, AND MUCH MORE IMPORTANTLY, AND,
8 C.E.O. HAMAI, YOU CAN WORK WITH FARBER AND WHOEVER IS RUNNING
9 PARKS AND REC, WICKER, WE NEED TO FIND A WAY TO EMPLOY THESE
10 YOUNG PEOPLE, FOR GOD'S SAKES. I MEAN, A SPLASH PAD IS
11 TECHNICAL, BUT WE CAN GET SOMEBODY TO HELP OUT SOMEHOW. THESE
12 KIDS NEED A JOB. LET'S FIND A WAY IF WE'RE GOING TO COMMIT TO
13 DO IT. IT IS JUST INSULTING NOT TO. AND EACH OF THOSE ITEMS
14 HAS THE SAME PROMISE AND THEN CAVE-IN. IT IRRITATES ME BEYOND
15 BELIEF, SO I WILL STOP AND BEHAVE MYSELF. ITEM NO. 10,
16 SUPERVISOR SOLIS IS CELEBRATING SOME EMPLOYEE EVENTS, WHICH I
17 ADMIRE. 220 FOR THE EL CARISO COMMUNITY REGIONAL PARK FOR THE
18 ANNUAL FLAG FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT. THIS IS AN APPROPRIATE KIND
19 OF A THING. I WINCE A LITTLE BIT WHEN I SEE EL CARISO, BECAUSE
20 IT'S ONE OF THE COUNTY GOLF COURSES THAT I CAN'T EVEN
21 UNDERSTAND MYSELF, AND I'VE LOOKED SO CLOSELY. IS THIS A
22 MANAGED COURSE BY THE GROUP NEWCASTLE, OR IS THIS A COURSE
23 THAT THEY -- I THINK WE HAVE A LEASE WITH THAT GROUP. YOU
24 KNOW, THAT NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED, AND WE'LL BRING IT UP IN THE
25 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT. BUT THANK YOU FOR YOUR EFFORT.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER?

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4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WHY, YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS.
5 AND I DID HOLD SEVERAL ITEMS. I HELD ITEM NO. 6. I GUESS IT'S
6 A CELEBRATION, THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS FOUNDATION. AND SO
7 MAYBE ONE OF THE THINGS THEY COULD DISCUSS AMONG OTHER THINGS,
8 I FOUND THIS LITTLE NOTE THAT I HAD. THIS WAS AN EDITORIAL
9 FROM THE L.A. TIMES FROM JANUARY 12, 2012 REGARDING DEMOCRACY
10 RULES. SUPERVISORS SHOULD BEWARE OF DANGERS OF PUTTING
11 RESTRICTIONS ON FREE SPEECH AT BOARD MEETINGS. IT GOES ON TO
12 TALK ABOUT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY WANTING TO LIMIT PUBLIC
13 INPUT TO 5 MINUTES ON A MEETING. THEN MENTIONS IN THIS ITEM,
14 THOUGH A VOTE ON THE PROPOSAL WAS NOT TAKEN, IT WAS HELD SO
15 THAT COUNTY LAWYERS COULD GIVE IT A REVIEW. IT'S LIKELY TO BE
16 RETURNED TO THE SUPERVISORS FOR A VOTE. NEVER RETURNED. NEVER
17 CAME BACK FROM A VOTE. WHY NOT? BUT THE LAW, RULES WERE
18 CHANGED. SO MAYBE YOUR CONSTITUTIONAL GROUP RIGHTS FOUNDATION
19 COULD DISCUSS THE RIGHTS OF THE PUBLIC AND THE BOARD'S ABILITY
20 TO OVERSTEP THE CONSTITUTIONAL BOUNDS THAT THEY'RE BOUND BY.
21 BE A GOOD IDEA. MOCK L.A. COUNTY, BOOM. I ALSO HELD ITEM 22
22 AND 23 AND 24. 23 AND 24 REFERS TO FEES IN LIEU OF TAXES,
23 WHICH IS ESSENTIALLY QUIMBY FEES FOR PARKS. YOU SAY YOU HAVE
24 QUIMBY FEES, AND THEN YOU HAD THE UTILITY USER TAX FEES USED
25 FOR MAGIC JOHNSON PARK. AND THEN YOU HAVE THE 1996-1992 PARKS



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1 RECREATION FUNDS AND THE NEW ASSESSMENT THAT YOU DID ON ALL
2 THE NEEDS OF THE COUNTY. AND PART OF THAT ASSESSMENT MENTIONED
3 LEAD IN PARK PLAYGROUND PAINT -- PAINT ON PARK PLAYGROUND
4 FACILITIES. I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHERE THAT FALLS IN LINE
5 WITH ALL THIS FUNDING THAT YOU'RE SPENDING. DO YOU THINK THAT
6 GETTING RID OF THAT LEAD PAINT WHERE CHILDREN PLAY WOULD BE
7 IMPORTANT? EVIDENTLY IT'S NOT. WHY NOT? WELL, YOU KNOW, THE WE
8 GO BACK TO THAT CONSTITUTIONAL PART ABOUT THE RIGHTS
9 FOUNDATION. AND I HELD -- THERE WAS A NOTE FROM SUPERVISOR
10 RIDLEY-THOMAS. HE WANTS TO SEND A MESSAGE TO THE A.Q.M.D.
11 REGARDING AIR QUALITY ACT, RIGHTS ACT, WHATEVER. BUT THEY
12 ALREADY PASSED A NEW PROGRAM THAT LOOSENS RESTRICTIONS. AND
13 WHY NOT ASK A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF THE A.Q.M.D., SUPERVISOR
14 ANTONOVICH? DO YOU KNOW ANYBODY WHO SITS ON THE A.Q.M.D.?
15 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH SITS ON THE A.Q.M.D. SO WHY WOULD HE NOT
16 EXPLAIN WHY THEY LOOSENED RESTRICTIONS ON AIR QUALITY?

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18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** TIME'S EXPIRED. DR. CLAVREUL?

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20 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
21 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I WOULD PICK ON ITEM 8 AND 12 AND 20.
22 ON ITEM 8, HAVING TO DO WITH THE SOFTWARE, AGAIN, WE ARE
23 BUYING MORE SOFTWARE FOR SECURITY AND SO ON. YOU KNOW, I THINK
24 IT WILL BE REALLY APPROPRIATE TO HAVE A TOTAL LIST OF THE
25 SOFTWARE AND HARDWARE THAT WE HAVE BOUGHT IN THE COUNTY FOR



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1 THE LAST FIVE YEARS. AND I'M SURE THERE IS A LOT OF
2 REDUNDANCY, AND ALSO WE STILL HAVE SOFTWARE WHO DO NOT TALK TO
3 EACH OTHER AND SO ON. SO THAT'S OF GREAT CONCERN. AND ON ITEM
4 12, I'M GLAD TO SEE THAT WE ARE GETTING SOME MONEY TO STOP
5 SOME INITIATIVES ON THE COUNTY COSTS OF THE HOMELESS. I THINK
6 IT'S STILL VERY COMPLICATED. I THINK IT NEEDS TO BE LOOKED A
7 LITTLE BIT CLOSER. AND I AM VERY CONCERNED ON ITEM 20. WE ARE
8 TALKING TO HAVE THE PROVISION H.I.V. PREVENTION ON MULTIPLE
9 AGREEMENTS. AN EXAMPLE, WE ARE TALKING ABOUT MULTIPLE
10 PREVENTION IN DIFFERENT S.P.A.S. AND SO ON. I NEVER LIKE THOSE
11 BLOCK MASTER AGREEMENTS WE HAVE FOR H.I.V. AND A.I.D.S., AND
12 THAT'S HAPPENED EVERY YEAR FOR THE LAST 30 YEARS. I THINK IT
13 WOULD BE VERY NICE ONCE IN A WHILE TO HAVE A BREAKDOWN SO WE
14 SEE THAT THE MONEY IS REALLY ALLOCATED WHERE IT IS NEEDED. IN
15 THE PAST, WE FOUND OUT AN EXAMPLE THAT IN WATTS, THEY WERE
16 GETTING 24-PERCENT LESS CARE THAN HOLLYWOOD. SO I THINK WE
17 NEED TO LOOK AT THAT. THOSE MASTER AGREEMENTS SHOULD NOT BE
18 GIVEN AS A BLOCK. I THINK THEY SHOULD BE -- OR AT LEAST, WE
19 SHOULD HAVE AT LEAST WHICH ONE WE'RE TALKING ABOUT. WE HAVE
20 ABSOLUTELY NO IDEA. ANYWAY, THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE ALSO HAVE ITEMS HELD,
23 NO. 12 BY JUDY GORDON AND AMY TURK. GO AHEAD, STATE YOUR NAME,
24 MA'AM.



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1 **AMY TURK:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS AMY TURK. I AM THE CHIEF
2 PROGRAM OFFICER WITH THE DOWNTOWN WOMEN'S CENTER. I'M HERE TO
3 SUPPORT, TO PROVIDE OUR SUPPORT THROUGH THE DOWNTOWN WOMEN'S
4 CENTER BY THE MOTION PUT FORWARD BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND
5 SUPERVISOR KNABE FOR THE INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE RAPID
6 REHOUSING PILOT PROGRAM TO HELP LINK SURVIVORS OF INTIMATE-
7 PARTNER VIOLENCE AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE WITH PERMANENT HOUSING.
8 AN INTIMATE-PARTNER-VIOLENCE RAPID REHOUSING PROGRAM WILL
9 PROVIDE SURVIVORS OF VIOLENCE WITH THE TARGETED RESOURCES AND
10 TRAUMA-INFORMED SUPPORT THEY NEED TO REGAIN PERMANENT HOUSING.
11 THIS MOTION FITS WITHIN STRATEGY B.3 OF THE HOMELESS
12 INITIATIVE TO EXPAND THE RAPID REHOUSING PROGRAMS, AND IF
13 IMPLEMENTED, IT WILL GO A LONG WAY ADDRESSING THE UNIQUE
14 VULNERABILITIES OF SURVIVORS OF VIOLENCE. THE DOWNTOWN WOMEN'S
15 CENTER IMPLEMENTED RAPID REHOUSING EARLIER THIS YEAR THROUGH
16 THE CITY FUNDS PROVIDED THROUGH THE HOMELESS INITIATIVES. AND
17 AND IN OUR EXPERIENCE, WE NEEDED A LOT OF HELP. WE RECEIVED
18 THAT HELP THROUGH L.A.H.S.A., WHO ADMINISTERS THE FUNDING, BUT
19 WE ALSO SOUGHT OUT OTHER PROVIDERS IN THE NATION WHO HAVE BEEN
20 PROVIDING RAPID REHOUSING PROGRAMS SO THAT WE COULD LEARN
21 DIRECTLY THROUGH THEM HOW THEY'VE BEEN DOING THIS WORK. SO WE
22 REALLY APPRECIATED SEEING THAT THERE WAS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
23 WRITTEN INTO THIS MOTION. I THINK THAT'S INCREDIBLY HELPFUL,
24 TO BRING IN PROVIDERS WHO PROVIDE SERVICES TO DOMESTIC
25 VIOLENCE SURVIVORS TO MAKE SURE THEY DO THIS RIGHT AND DO IT



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1 WELL. SO THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR TREMENDOUS SUPPORT AS WE'RE
2 ALL WORKING TO END HOMELESSNESS TOGETHER. AND I THINK THIS
3 MOTION WILL HELP US GET THERE. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

6

7 **JUDY GORDON:** MY NAME IS JUDY GORDON, AND I'M THE DIRECTOR OF
8 EDUCATION AND VOLUNTEERS AT RAINBOW SERVICES IN SAN PEDRO. AND
9 I ALSO WANT TO SPEAK TO ITEM NO. 12 ON THE AGENDA. WE AT
10 RAINBOW SERVICES APPLAUD THE EFFORTS OF SUPERVISOR KNABE AND
11 SUPERVISOR KUEHL IN RECOGNIZING THE NEEDS OF SURVIVORS OF
12 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE, AND A
13 SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF SURVIVORS THAT ARE EXPERIENCING
14 HOMELESSNESS DUE TO THE VIOLENCE THEY'VE EXPERIENCED RIGHT IN
15 THEIR OWN HOMES. RAPID REHOUSING IS A MODEL THAT MAY BE AN
16 OPTION FOR SOME SURVIVORS. RAPID REHOUSING SPECIFICALLY FOR
17 SURVIVORS IN OTHER AREAS OF THE COUNTRY LIKE WASHINGTON,
18 WASHINGTON STATE AND OREGON, AS WELL AS WASHINGTON, D.C.
19 HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN TRANSFORMING THE WAY IN WHICH
20 COMMUNITIES CAN SUPPORT VICTIMS THAT ARE SEEKING HOUSING
21 ASSISTANCE. HOWEVER, THESE MODEL PROGRAMS HAVE ONE THING IN
22 COMMON, AND THAT IS THAT THEY ARE VERY FLEXIBLE IN THE WAY THE
23 RAPID REHOUSING FUNDS NEED TO BE APPLIED. UTILIZING THE
24 HOUSING FIRST MODEL, IT'S IMPERATIVE THAT THE PROGRAM
25 ADMINISTERING THE FUNDS HAS FLEXIBILITY IN HOW THEY APPLY THE



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1 ASSISTANCE AND WHO MAY SERVE WITH THIS ASSISTANCE, WHETHER
2 IT'S INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES LIVING IN TRANSITIONAL HOUSING
3 PROGRAMS. THEY MAY NOT QUALIFY FOR FEDERALLY FUNDED RAPID
4 REHOUSING PROGRAMS. BUT IT'S IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND THAT AN
5 INDIVIDUAL OR A FAMILY FLEEING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IS CONSIDERED
6 HOMELESS IF THEY DON'T HAVE A SHELTER, THEY HAVE TO GO BACK TO
7 THE VIOLENT HOME FROM WHICH THEY FLED. IF THEY ARE IN
8 TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAMS, THEN THEY GET THERE BECAUSE
9 THEY ARE FLEEING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND NEED TO BE CONSIDERED
10 ELIGIBLE FOR THIS TYPE OF ASSISTANCE. I ALSO WANT TO SAY THAT
11 WE'RE REALLY EXCITED THAT THIS PARTICULAR ITEM HAS AN
12 EVALUATION PIECE IN IT. AND THAT IS CRITICAL, BECAUSE BY USING
13 AN EVALUATION PIECE, WE CAN THEN JUDGE WHICH PIECE OF WHICH
14 PROGRAM IS WORKING THE BEST AND IS REPLICABLE, BECAUSE WE KNOW
15 THAT EACH POPULATION NEEDS SPECIFIC ATTENTION WITHIN WHAT THEY
16 DO. THANK YOU, AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT.

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YES, SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

19

20 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I SIMPLY WANT TO THANK BOTH THE WITNESSES
21 FOR COMING HERE TODAY TO TESTIFY. IT'S INTERESTING TO ME, BACK
22 IN THE MID 70S WHEN WE FOUNDED THE SOJOURN SHELTER IN SANTA
23 MONICA, AS THE FIRST SHELTER FOUNDED ON THE THEORY THAT THIS
24 WAS A SOCIAL PROBLEM IN THE STATE, IT WAS BECAUSE WOMEN AND
25 CHILDREN WERE COMING INTO THE OCEAN PARK COMMUNITY CENTER AND



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1 THEY WERE HOMELESS AND NO ONE KNEW WHY. AND WHEN THEY FINALLY
2 STARTED TALKING ABOUT WHY, THEY HAD FLED VIOLENCE, IT WAS THE
3 BEGINNING OF A FLEDGLING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MOVEMENT IN THE
4 COUNTRY. AND SO I'M VERY GRATEFUL FOR THE WORK AND FOR HELPING
5 US LIFT UP AGAIN THE, REALLY, THE KIND OF SPECIAL
6 CONSIDERATIONS THAT HAVE TO GO FOR THE VICTIMS OF INTIMATE
7 PARTNER VIOLENCE AND THEIR CHILDREN. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
8 AND THANKS TO SUPERVISOR KNABE.

9

10 **JUDY GORDON:** AND THANK YOU BOTH VERY MUCH.

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12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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14 **SUP. KNABE:** I JUST WANTED TO ADD, THIS IS SUCH AN IMPORTANT
15 ISSUE. AND THIS WHOLE ISSUE OF HOUSING IS SO IMPORTANT. BUT
16 WHEN YOU LOOK THE THE DETAILS OF THIS, IT REALLY DIDN'T DEAL
17 WITH THE ISSUES OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. AND SO HOPEFULLY THIS
18 WILL ALL PLAY BACK TOGETHER AND WE ARE ABLE TO ASSIST IN THE
19 RIGHT WAY. AND JUST THANKFUL AND APPRECIATED SUPERVISOR KUEHL
20 ALLOWING ME TO GO ON THE MOTION, AS WELL, TOO. AND THANK YOU
21 FOR ALL YOU DO DOWN AT RAINBOW.

22

23 **JUDY GORDON:** YOU ARE OUR HEROES. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT ITEM HAS BEEN HELD BY
2 SEVERAL MEMBERS, ITEM NO. 20.

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4 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** YES, MADAME CHAIR, SINCE THERE ARE
5 A NUMBER OF SPEAKERS WHO HAVE ONLY SIGNED UP TO SPEAK ON NO.
6 20, WE'RE REQUESTING TWO MINUTES FOR THIS ITEM, GIVEN THE
7 NUMBER OF SPEAKERS FOR OTHER ITEMS.

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9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, VERY GOOD. SUCH WILL BE THE
10 ORDER. SO, I'D LIKE TO CALL UP VICTOR MARTINEZ, TERRY SMITH,
11 RAUL QUINTERO, CRAIG PULCIPHER, AARON FOX, ALFORD STACY, OR
12 STACY ALFORD, AND KATJA NELSON. EACH WILL BE GRANTED TWO
13 MINUTES. AND SIMPLY STATE YOUR NAME. HAVE A SEAT SO WE CAN
14 MOVE QUICKLY THROUGH THIS. I'D APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU SO
15 MUCH. YES, SIR.

16

17 **VICTOR MARTINEZ:** BUENOS DIAS, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS VICTOR
18 MARTINEZ, AND I'M A COMMUNITY MEMBER. I HAVE BEEN WORKING ON
19 THIS ISSUE FOR OVER 20 YEARS, AND WE HAVE DONE WHATEVER WE
20 HAVE BEEN ABLE TO TO STOP THE EPIDEMIC. HOWEVER, WE CONTINUE
21 TO SEE THIS EPIDEMIC IMPACTING COMMUNITIES OF COLOR, IN
22 PARTICULAR, BLACK AND LATINOS. IT IS IMPORTANT AND IMPERATIVE
23 THAT WE DO MORE AND WE DO BETTER. WE SEE H.I.V. MEDICAL
24 PREVENTION INTERVENTION AS ANOTHER TOOL IN THE TOOLBOX THAT IN
25 FACT THIS TOOL COULD REALLY STOP NEW H.I.V. INFECTIONS.



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1 THEREFORE, I'M HERE TODAY TO RESPECTFULLY REQUEST APPROVAL FOR
2 H.I.V. PREVENTION SERVICES IN THE MOST IMPACTED AREAS IN L.A.
3 COUNTY. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER?
6 YOUR NAME?

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8 **AARON FOX:** AARON FOX, LOS ANGELES L.G.B.T. CENTER. I'M HERE TO
9 SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF AGENDA ITEM NO. 20, THE BIOMEDICAL H.I.V.
10 PREVENTION ROLLOUT. IT WAS, I THINK, ABOUT A YEAR AGO THAT WE
11 SAT HERE AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL PUT FORTH A MOTION TO MAKE SURE
12 THAT NEW H.I.V. PREVENTION STRATEGIES, LIKE P.R.E.P., ACTUALLY
13 GET OUT ON THE STREETS AND THAT PEOPLE CAN ACCESS THEM TO
14 PREVENT INCREASED H.I.V. INFECTIONS. AND I'M GLAD THAT WE'RE
15 HERE AGAIN TODAY TO ROLL THIS OUT AND GET THIS OUT INTO THE
16 COMMUNITIES THAT NEED THEM MOST. THE C.D.C. HAS RECENTLY
17 REPORTED THAT IF WE DO NOTHING AT THIS POINT WITH NEW H.I.V.
18 INFECTIONS, 1 IN 2 BLACK GAY MEN WILL HAVE H.I.V. IN THEIR
19 LIFETIME AND 1 IN 4 LATINO GAY OR BI MEN WILL HAVE H.I.V. IN
20 THEIR LIFETIME. AND SO, I THINK THIS DEFINITELY DEMONSTRATES
21 THAT LOS ANGELES IS WILLING TO TAKE A STEP FORWARD AND MAKE
22 SURE THAT THESE NUMBERS DO NOT COME TRUE. THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

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1 **KATJA NELSON:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS KATJA
2 NELSON, AND I'M FROM A.P.L.A. HEALTH. AND I'M HERE ALONG WITH
3 AARON AND MY COLLEAGUE CRAIG PULSIPHER. AND FIRST, I WANTED TO
4 THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR TAKING THE TIME TO CONSIDER THIS MOTION
5 AND FOR ALL THE HARD WORK THAT YOU DO TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH OF
6 PEOPLE LIVING WITH H.I.V. IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AT A.P.L.A.
7 HEALTH, OUR MISSION IS TO ACHIEVE HEALTH EQUITY AND PROMOTE
8 WELL-BEING FOR L.G.B.T. AND OTHER UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES. AND
9 AS YOU KNOW, THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE DIAGNOSED WITH H.I.V. IN
10 L.A. COUNTY EACH YEAR HAS DECREASED, BUT THERE ARE STILL OVER
11 1,800 PEOPLE A YEAR WHO ARE DIAGNOSED. AND OF THOSE, AFRICAN-
12 AMERICAN AND LATINO M.S.M. AS WELL AS TRANSGENDER WOMEN MAKE
13 UP A DISPROPORTIONATE PERCENTAGE OF THAT NUMBER. AND SO YOU
14 JUST HEARD THE STATISTIC FROM AARON FOX THAT IN THEIR
15 LIFETIME, A QUARTER -- OR HALF OF ALL BLACK GAY MEN AND A
16 QUARTER OF LATINO MEN POPULATIONS THAT WE SERVE WILL BECOME
17 H.I.V. POSITIVE IN THEIR LIFETIME IF WE DON'T INTERVENE. AND I
18 THINK THIS POSSIBILITY IS UNACCEPTABLE AND IT'S A CALL TO
19 ACTION FOR US. AND SO I AM ALSO HERE IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION
20 AND I THINK THAT IN ORDER TO REDUCE H.I.V. AND HEALTH
21 DISPARITIES AMONG M.S.M. OF COLOR AND TRANSGENDER POPULATIONS,
22 IT'S PARAMOUNT THAT LOS ANGELES COUNTY WORK WITH US AS
23 EXPEDIENTLY AS POSSIBLE TO EXPAND PUBLIC AND PROVIDER
24 EDUCATION THROUGH PREP OUTREACH FOR THESE AT-RISK POPULATIONS.



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1 AND AS ALWAYS, WE ASK THAT YOU REACH OUT TO US FOR US TO
2 ASSIST IN ANY WAY. THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

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6 **CRAIG PULSIPHER:** GOOD MORNING; CRAIG PULSIPHER, ALSO FROM
7 A.P.L.A. HEALTH. I JUST WANTED TO THANK THE BOARD FOR ALL THE
8 WORK YOU'VE DONE TO ENSURE ACCESS TO P.R.E.P. AND P.E.P. IN
9 L.A. COUNTY, PARTICULARLY SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND HER STAFF FOR
10 ALL THE WORK THAT THEY'VE DONE. AS YOU KNOW THIS, INTERVENTION
11 IS UP TO 99 PERCENT EFFECTIVE PREVENTING H.I.V. BUT UPTIC HAS
12 BEEN SLOW, PARTICULARLY IN COMMUNITIES THAT ARE HEAVILY HIT BY
13 THE H.I.V. EPIDEMIC. SO THIS FUNDING IS GOING TO GO A LONG WAY
14 TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYONE IN L.A. COUNTY HAS ACCESS TO
15 P.R.E.P. AND P.E.P., REGARDLESS OF WHO YOU ARE OR WHERE YOU
16 LIVE. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR CONSIDERING THIS FUNDING.

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18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

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20 **RAUL QUINTERO:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS RAUL
21 QUINTERO. I AM ONE OF L.A. COUNTY'S PRE-EXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS
22 NAVIGATORS AND EDUCATORS. I WANT TO THANK THE BOARD, FIRST OF
23 ALL, FOR EVERYTHING THAT YOU DO. IN THE SIX MONTHS THAT I'VE
24 BEEN IN IN MY ROLE, I'VE EDUCATED OVER 600 YOUNG M.S.M., AS
25 WELL AS REFERRED ALMOST 200 YOUNG M.S.M. INTO CARE, A MAJORITY



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1 OF WHOM ARE AFRICAN-AMERICAN AND LATINO, TWO OF THE
2 POPULATIONS AT GREATEST RISK FOR H.I.V. BY APPROVING THESE
3 FUNDS, YOU INCREASE ACCESS TO AN H.I.V. PREVENTION TOOL THAT
4 CAN GREATLY REDUCE NEW INFECTIONS IN UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES.
5 BASICALLY, I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT I SUPPORT, ON BEHALF OF
6 EVERYBODY, YOU KNOW, I SUPPORT THIS FUNDING IF YOU DO APPROVE
7 IT, AS IT CAN HELP INCREASE ACCESS TO TWO GROUPS WHO HAVE
8 LEAST ACCESS TO THIS MEDICATION.

9

10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER. GO
11 AHEAD, SIR.

12

13 **STACY ALFORD:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. I'M STACY ALFORD. I'M
14 FROM CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF LOS ANGELES. I COORDINATE P.R.E.P.
15 SERVICES AT CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL. AND SO, I AM HERE IN SUPPORT
16 OF ITEM NO. 20. I ALSO WANT TO THANK YOU FOR HAVING THIS ON
17 THE AGENDA. I FIND THIS TO BE VERY, VERY IMPORTANT, AND TO
18 HAVE AND TO SEE THIS ON THE AGENDA, IT'S AMAZING. WHAT
19 P.R.E.P. AND P.E.P. ACCESS HAVE -- WHAT IT HAS, THE EFFECT IT
20 HAS ON OUR COMMUNITIES IS TREMENDOUS. I MEAN, YOU JUST HEAR
21 THE STATS THAT EVERYONE IS GIVING YOU. AND WITH IT BEING 99
22 PERCENT EFFECTIVE, I THINK IT'S VERY, VERY IMPORTANT THAT THIS
23 IS ANOTHER OPTION FOR OUR COMMUNITY. SEEING THE CLIENTS THAT I
24 SERVE AS WELL AS MY FRIENDS AND MYSELF AND HAVING THE EFFECTS



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1 THAT IT DOES PROVIDE FOR US, IT'S VERY, VERY IMPORTANT THAT
2 THIS AGENDA ITEM IS APPROVED. SO, THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME.

3

4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

5

6 **TERRY SMITH:** MY NAME IS TERRY SMITH, AND I'M WITH A.P.L.A.
7 HEALTH, WHERE I WORK AS THE ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR FOR HEALTH AND
8 H.I.V. PREVENTION. AND I'M HERE ALSO TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OF ITEM
9 20. WE CURRENTLY OFFER P.R.E.P. SERVICES. AND WE HAVE SEEN A
10 NUMBER OF PEOPLE, TWO-THIRDS OF WHOM ARE AFRICAN-AMERICAN,
11 LATINO YOUNG MEN, AND WITH THIS EXPANDED OPPORTUNITY, WE CAN
12 EVEN SEE MORE. THE PROPOSAL AS PUT FORTH BY THE D.H.S.P.
13 ACTUALLY PLACES THESE SERVICES IN THE COMMUNITIES MOST
14 IMPACTED BY H.I.V. AND SO I THINK IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT
15 WE IMPLEMENT THIS TOOL AS A WAY TO HELP US GET TO ZERO. THANK
16 YOU.

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18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE HAVE GREGORY HEFFRON,
19 MONICA RAMIREZ AND ERIC MATTERON. GO AHEAD, SIR.

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21 **GREGORY:** MY NAME IS GREGORY HEFFRON. I AM HERE TO SPEAK ON
22 ITEM NO. 20. I AM A FORMER I.V. DRUG USER IN RECOVERY WHO IS
23 H.I.V. POSITIVE. I CURRENTLY RESIDE IN TARZANA TREATMENT
24 CENTERS, AND I HAVE OVER 32 DAYS SOBER. HAD P.E.P. OR P.R.E.P.
25 BEEN ACCESSIBLE TO ME IN THE PAST, I BELIEVE THAT I COULD



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1 AVOID BEING H.I.V. POSITIVE. I AM AT OR BELOW THE POVERTY LINE
2 AND I'VE BEEN AT OR BELOW THE POVERTY LINE SINCE I MOVED TO
3 LOS ANGELES IN 2007. TODAY I AM CURRENTLY ON MEDICATION AND I
4 AM RECEIVING THERAPY AND I'M HEALTHY. MY NUMBERS ARE IN THE
5 HEALTHY RANGE, AND I'M VERY HAPPY. I HAVE ALSO WANTED TO BRING
6 UP THE ISSUE OF SERODISCORDANT RELATIONSHIPS, WHERE ONE PERSON
7 IS H.I.V.-POSITIVE AND THE OTHER PERSON IS H.I.V.-NEGATIVE. I
8 HAVE HAD AN H.I.V.-NEGATIVE PARTNER BEFORE, AND WE ARE BOTH AT
9 OR BELOW THE POVERTY LINE AND UNABLE TO AFFORD ACCESS TO THIS
10 MEDICATION. AND IT WOULD BE GREAT IF WE COULD GET ACCESS TO
11 THE MEDICATION SO THAT MY H.I.V.-NEGATIVE PARTNER CAN STAY
12 H.I.V.-NEGATIVE AND WE COULD BOTH BE TOGETHER. SO THANK YOU
13 VERY MUCH.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

16

17 **MONICA RAMIREZ:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS MONICA RAMIREZ.
18 I WORK FOR ULTIMATE HEALTH SERVICES. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR
19 ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEM 20. I AM IN FAVOR OF IT.
20 P.R.E.P. HAS HELPED A LOT OF OUR PATIENTS STAY H.I.V.
21 NEGATIVE. NOT ONLY THAT, BUT WE'VE ALSO FOUND A LOT OF CLIENTS
22 THAT BECAUSE THEY WANT TO GET ON P.R.E.P., WE'RE ALSO FINDING
23 OTHER ILLNESSES AND DISEASES THAT THEY'RE SUFFERING FROM. ONE
24 PARTICULAR EXAMPLE THAT WE HAVE IS WE WERE ABLE TO FIND A
25 CLIENT WHO WAS -- WHO DID HAVE CANCER. AND SO HAD HE NOT COME



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1 IN FOR P.R.E.P. AND WANTING TO GET ON P.R.E.P., WE WOULD HAVE
2 NEVER FOUND THAT OUT. SO I AM IN FAVOR OF P.R.E.P. AND IF WE
3 CAN PROVIDE THIS TO OUR COMMUNITY, I THINK THIS WOULD BE AN
4 AMAZING AND REALLY BRING US DOWN TO ZERO. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ERIC?

7

8 **ERIC MATTERON:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ERIC MATTERON. I'M A
9 PATIENT NAVIGATION SUPERVISOR AT TARZANA TREATMENT CENTERS. WE
10 PROVIDE H.I.V./A.I.D.S. SERVICES FOR PEOPLE INFECTED WITH
11 H.I.V., PEOPLE AFFECTED BY H.I.V., AND PREVENTIVE SERVICES TO
12 HELP PEOPLE FROM GETTING H.I.V. WE PROVIDE THESE SERVICES
13 MAINLY IN S.P.A. 2, SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3, BUT ALSO IN
14 CLINICS IN PALMDALE AND LANCASTER. I'M HERE TODAY TO TALK
15 ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF THE FUNDING FOR BIOMEDICAL H.I.V.
16 PREVENTION SERVICES FOR HIGH-RISK POPULATIONS IN LOS ANGELES
17 COUNTY. AGENDA ITEM 20. THIS FUNDING WOULD ALLOW CLINICS AND
18 DOCTORS ACROSS THE COUNTY TO PROVIDE P.R.E.P. AND P.E.P.
19 SERVICES TO HIGH RISK INDIVIDUALS WHO NORMALLY WOULD NOT BE
20 ABLE TO HAVE ACCESS TO IT. THIS WOULD INCLUDE PEOPLE OF NO
21 INSURANCE OR WHOSE INSURANCE MAY NOT COVER P.R.E.P. OR P.E.P.
22 AND CANNOT AFFORD P.R.E.P. OR P.E.P. EVEN WITH INSURANCE. THE
23 MEDICATION ALONE IS \$1,300 FOR A 30-DAY SUPPLY. THIS DOES NOT
24 INCLUDE THE COST FOR LABS AND DOCTOR VISITS, WHICH SOMETIMES
25 CAN MAKE IT DIFFICULT FOR PEOPLE EVEN WITH INSURANCE TO AFFORD



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1 IT. THIS FUNDING WOULD ALLOW CLINICS AND DOCTORS TO PROVIDE
2 P.R.E.P. AND P.E.P. TO THESE PEOPLE WHO WOULD NOT NORMALLY BE
3 ABLE TO PAY FOR IT. THIS FUNDING ALSO PROVIDES S.T.D. TESTING
4 AND TREATMENT TO PEOPLE WHO MAY NORMALLY NOT GET TESTED TO
5 TREAT DISEASES LIKE SYPHILIS, GONORRHEA AND CHLAMYDIA. IN
6 ADDITION TO PROVIDING THEM WITH P.R.E.P. AND P.E.P., IT WOULD
7 ALSO ASSIST THEM WITH APPLYING FOR INSURANCE IF THEY DON'T
8 ALREADY HAVE IT AND WOULD WORK WITH THEM TO FIND A PRIMARY
9 CARE DOCTOR TO MEET ALL OF THEIR MEDICAL NEEDS. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I'D LIKE TO
12 THANK ALL THE WITNESSES THAT CAME FORWARD IN SUPPORT OF THIS
13 ITEM. I KNOW HOW VERY IMPORTANT THIS IS TO HAVE SERVICES IN
14 UNDERREPRESENTED AREAS, PARTICULAR AMONGST THE LATINO AND
15 AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY, AND KNOW THIS IS A GOOD REMEDY FOR
16 ALL OF US AS WE MOVE FORWARD. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

17

18 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I SIMPLY WANT TO
19 THANK THE PEOPLE WHO TESTIFIED, MANY OF WHOM WERE INSTRUMENTAL
20 IN EVEN BRINGING THIS ISSUE TO THE COUNTY WAY BEFORE LAST --
21 WELL, A YEAR AGO JUNE WHEN WE BROUGHT THE MOTION. IT IS ALWAYS
22 THE WORK OF THE COMMUNITY, WHATEVER THE COMMUNITY IS
23 ADVOCATING FOR, THAT BRINGS ATTENTION TO SOMETHING AND ASKS
24 OUR BOARD TO DO THE RIGHT THING. SO, I THANK THEM SO MUCH FOR



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1 COMING TODAY TO TESTIFY. AND HOPE THAT THIS WILL PASS. THANK
2 YOU.

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4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. OKAY. LET'S CALL THE ROLL.

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6 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** MADAME CHAIR THE FOLLOWING MATTERS
7 ARE BEFORE YOU. ITEMS 6, 8, 9, 12, 15 AS AMENDED, 18, 20, 21,
8 22, 23, 24, 28, 30, 31, 32, 45, 48-A AND 48-B.

9

10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE US. THEY'RE
11 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION. OKAY.
12 THANK YOU. MOVING ON NOW, MEMBERS, WE'RE GOING TO TURN TO ITEM
13 NO. 36, WHICH I HAVE HELD AS WELL AS SUPERVISOR KNABE. AND
14 THIS IS DISCUSSION ON ITEM 36 WITH RESPECT TO R-2, THE BOND
15 MEASURE, THE TRANSPORTATION BOND. WE HAVE TWO INDIVIDUALS THAT
16 I'VE ASKED TO SERVE -- ASKED TO SPEAK AS PANELISTS AND TO
17 ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THAT THE BOARD MEMBERS MIGHT HAVE. THIS
18 ITEM CAME BEFORE THE METRO BOARD, WHICH ALL OF US SIT ON, BUT
19 I FOUND THAT THIS WAS AN IMPORTANT OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE THEM
20 EXPLAIN TO THE PUBLIC WHAT WE CAN EXPECT AND WHAT WAS INCLUDED
21 IN THE BOND. SO WITH THAT, I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE OUR CHAIR OF
22 THE METRO BOARD, MR. FASANA, JOHN FASANA. WELCOME.

23

24 **JOHN FASANA:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISOR SOLIS. WE'RE GLAD TO BE
25 HERE. THE METRO BOARD DID APPROVE IN JUNE PLACING THIS MEASURE



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1 ON THE BALLOT. IT CAME AFTER A LONG AND VERY DETAILED PROCESS
2 THAT REALLY WAS A BOTTOMS-UP PROCESS, SEEKING INPUT THROUGHOUT
3 ALL THE SUBREGIONS. IT WAS A PROCESS INITIATED BY SUPERVISOR
4 ANTONOVICH AFTER MEASURE J. IT REALLY WAS A SEA CHANGE IN
5 TERMS OF HOW PLANNING TAKES PLACE WITHIN THE COUNTY. THE
6 VARIOUS SUBREGIONS AND STAKEHOLDERS WERE ALL INVOLVED AND ALL
7 ENGAGED. THEY ALL AGREED ON FUNDING TARGETS WITHIN THE
8 SUBREGIONS, AND WE MOVED FORWARD FROM THERE. SO WE HAVE BEFORE
9 US AN OPPORTUNITY TO REALLY TRANSFORM THE COUNTY IN TERMS OF
10 OUR MOBILITY AND REALLY INCREASING THE ECONOMIC VITALITY, THE
11 ACCESS BY BUSINESSES TO TALENT THAT THEY'RE LOOKING FOR AND
12 THE ACCESS BY WORKERS TO THEIR EMPLOYERS AND FOR STUDENTS, AS
13 WELL. SO I ALSO BRING WITH ME OUR DEPUTY C.E.O. OF METRO,
14 STEPHANIE WIGGINS, WHO CAN SPEAK BRIEFLY TO SOME OF THE
15 CONTENT. BUT WE'RE ADDRESSING RAIL. WE'RE ADDRESSING BUS.
16 WE'RE ADDRESSING THE HIGHWAY SYSTEM. WE'RE NOT FUNDING EVERY
17 NEED IN THE COUNTY. THERE ARE NOT ENOUGH RESOURCES TO DO THAT,
18 BUT WE EXPECT TO LEVERAGE WITH THE STATE GOVERNMENT, THE
19 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND THE PRIVATE INDUSTRY, AS WELL, TO BRING
20 MORE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE REGION AND, NEEDLESS TO SAY, MORE
21 JOBS WHILE THESE SYSTEMS ARE BUILT OUT. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.

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1 **STEPHANIE WIGGINS:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF
2 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AGAIN, MY NAME IS STEPHANIE WIGGINS.
3 I'M THE DEPUTY C.E.O. OF METRO. AND JUST TO FOLLOW ON BRIEFLY
4 ON THE COMMENTS MADE BY OUR CHAIR, JOHN FASANA, THE PLAN AS
5 APPROVED BY THE METRO BOARD REALLY SEEKS TO PROVIDE A PACKAGE
6 OF IMPROVEMENTS TO IMPROVE FREEWAY TRAFFIC FLOW AND SAFETY,
7 REPAIR POTHOLES AND SIDEWALKS, REPAVE OUR LOCAL STREETS, KEEP
8 SENIORS, DISABLED AND STUDENT FARES AFFORDABLE, EXPAND OUR
9 RAIL, SUBWAY AND BUS SYSTEM, AND REALLY PROVIDE A PLAN THAT
10 HELPS IMPROVING OUR CONNECTION TO COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT L.A.
11 COUNTY. SO WE THANK YOU AND RESPECT YOU FOR CONSIDERING THIS
12 BEFORE YOU TODAY. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KNABE, DO YOU
15 HAVE ANY QUESTIONS FOR STAFF?

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17 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE NO QUESTIONS. I HAVE COMMENTS.

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19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** DO YOU WANT TO MAKE THEM NOW?

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21 **SUP. KNABE:** DO YOU HAVE PEOPLE SIGNED UP?

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23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, WE HAVE SEVERAL INDIVIDUALS THAT
24 HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK. BUT I DID JUST -- WE CAN GO AHEAD AND
25 HEAR FROM THEM FIRST AND THEN HOLD MY COMMENTS THAT I WANT TO



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1 MAKE. BUT I WANT TO THANK YOU BOTH FOR BEING HERE. SO LET'S
2 START WITH THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS THAT HAVE REQUESTED TO
3 SPEAK. WE HAVE THE MAYOR OF SOUTH GATE, JORGE MORALES, AND
4 GENE MURABITO, SAM PEDROZA, ANDRE QUINTERO, VIVIAN ROMERO,
5 JERRY VELASCO. LET'S START WITH THESE INDIVIDUALS. YOU EACH
6 WILL SPEAK TWO MINUTES. YOU DO NOT HAVE TO SPEAK THE FULL
7 AMOUNT, BUT IF YOU DON'T WANT TO BE REDUNDANT, IT WILL BE VERY
8 HELPFUL. THANK YOU.

9

10 **GENE MURABITO:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS GENE
11 MURIBITO, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF GLENDORA. BUT TODAY I'M HERE TO
12 ADDRESS YOU IN MY CAPACITY AS PRESIDENT OF THE SAN GABRIEL
13 VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS. I WANT TO ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT
14 FOR THIS AGENDA ITEM. MEASURE M IS PROJECTED TO GENERATE OVER
15 \$132 BILLION OVER THE NEXT 50 YEARS, AND IT WILL ALLOW METRO
16 TO LEVERAGE BILLIONS MORE IN STATE, FEDERAL AND PRIVATE
17 FUNDING TO ACCELERATE REGIONAL PROJECTS IN EACH OF THE
18 SUBREGIONS OF L.A. COUNTY, ESPECIALLY RAIL AND HIGHWAY
19 PROJECTS. MEASURE M IDENTIFIES NUMEROUS SIGNIFICANT
20 TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS ACROSS L.A. COUNTY. AND
21 THE EXPENDITURE PRIORITY PLAN THAT IS INCLUDED WAS DEVELOPED
22 WITH THE C.O.G.S THROUGH AN EQUITABLE AND TRANSPARENT BOTTOMS-
23 UP PROCESS, WHICH YOU HEARD JOHN FASANA JUST EXPLAIN, A
24 PROCESS THAT ALLOWED EACH SUBREGION TO DETERMINE THEIR OWN
25 RESPECTIVE TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIES IN A PROCESS THAT THE



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1 C.O.G. APPRECIATES. THE PROJECTS INCLUDED FOR THE SAN GABRIEL
2 VALLEY WERE UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED BY THE C.O.G. AND RESULTED
3 FROM A CAREFULLY CRAFTED CONSENSUS AMONG DIFFERENT MODES AND
4 INTERESTS WITHIN OUR VALLEY. THESE PROJECTS INCLUDE AN
5 EXTENSION OF THE FOOTHILL AND EAST SIDE GOLD LINE RAIL TRANSIT
6 SYSTEMS, BUS SERVICE IMPROVEMENTS, NEW BIKE PATHS AND
7 PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES, HIGHWAY INTERCHANGE AND HOT SPOT
8 IMPROVEMENTS, H.O.V. CONNECTORS, AND A MYRIAD OF OTHER
9 IMPROVEMENTS TO EASE CONGESTION AND IMPROVE MOBILITY WITHIN
10 OUR REGION. TODAY OUR REGION HAS SOME OF THE WORST TRAFFIC
11 JAMS AND SMOG AIR IN THE COUNTRY. WE MUST ACT NOW TO IMPROVE
12 OUR MOBILITY, OUR AIR QUALITY, AND OUR REGIONAL ECONOMY BY
13 IMPLEMENTING THE PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS IN THE EXPENDITURE
14 PLAN. I THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP ON BEHALF OF L.A.
15 COUNTY, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR SUPPORT OF MEASURE M. THANK
16 YOU.

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

19

20 **SAM PEDROSA:** HI, THANK YOU, CHAIR SOLIS. MY NAME IS SAM
21 PEDROSA. I AM THE MAYOR FOR THE CITY OF CLAREMONT AND ALSO THE
22 VICE CHAIR FOR THE GOLD LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY FOOTHILL
23 PROJECT. I WANT TO FIRST THANK YOU ON YOUR ROLE AS THE M.T.A.
24 BOARD MEMBERS, AS WELL. I THINK YOU REPRESENT THE SEA CHANGE
25 THAT WE SAW WITH M.T.A. IN THESE LAST FEW YEARS, AND WITH



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1 THAT, A WHOLE DIFFERENT APPROACH FROM METRO IN TERMS OF HOW TO
2 REACH OUT TO THE REGIONS. THE BOTTOMS-UP APPROACH HAS
3 DEFINITELY INCLUDED THE KEY PROJECTS THAT WE'VE BEEN WORKING
4 ON IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY INCLUDING THE GOLD LINE, AND WE
5 WOULDN'T BE HERE TODAY IF IT WASN'T FOR THAT APPROACH. WE
6 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE URGE YOUR SUPPORT FOR THIS MEASURE AND
7 FOR THIS ITEM. AND JUST BY WAY OF EXAMPLE, JUST SUNDAY I WENT
8 TO A DODGER GAME ALL USING PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, SOMETHING
9 THAT WOULD PROBABLY BE CLOSE TO IMPOSSIBLE JUST A MATTER OF A
10 HANDFUL OF YEARS AGO. SO THINGS ARE -- WE ARE IN A RENAISSANCE
11 NOW, AND IT'S TRULY BECAUSE OF THE INITIATION OF THIS COUNTY.
12 WE CAN'T RELY ON THE STATE. WE CAN'T RELY ON THE FEDS. WE'RE
13 DOING THE JOBS, AND WE THANK YOU FOR THAT. SO I HOPE YOU LET
14 THE VOTERS DECIDE IN NOVEMBER TO CONTINUE THIS MOVEMENT. THANK
15 YOU.

16

17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE ALSO HAVE JERRY
18 VELASCO. AND I WOULD LIKE TO CALL UP RON MILLER, KOKAYI
19 KWAJITAHIDI, COUNTY FED, AND ED RENDON. MR. MILLER?

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21 **RON MILLER:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. I'M RON MILLER,
22 EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE L.A.\ORANGE COUNTY CONSTRUCTION AND
23 BUILDING TRADES COUNCIL, AND I'D JUST LIKE TO THANK EACH AND
24 EVERY ONE OF YOU THAT HAVE HAD A FINGERPRINT ON THIS
25 TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM AT THE M.T.A. IT'S BEEN VERY



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1 SUCCESSFUL. IT'S BEEN VERY TRANSPARENT. AND I SEE NO OTHER --
2 THAT THE NEW MEASURE M WILL NOT BE THE SAME WAY. WE'VE CREATED
3 A VERY GOOD PARTNERSHIP FOR A VERY VIBRANT LOCAL-HIRE PROGRAM.
4 THE NUMBERS ARE VERY TRANSPARENT. THEY'RE ON THE WEBSITE. YOU
5 CAN SEE THE GREAT SUCCESS WE'VE HAD. AND I HAVE SOME COPIES OF
6 GOOD RESULTS HERE FOR YOU. WE'VE PARTNERED WITH MANY COMMUNITY
7 GROUPS TO MAKE THIS A SUCCESS, ALONG WITH METRO, TRADE TECH
8 COLLEGE, THE FLINTRIDGE CENTER, YOUTHBUILD IN PALMDALE AND
9 LANCASTER, LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE, AND WE'RE PUTTING A LOT OF
10 YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN TO WORK ON THE METRO PROJECT AND OTHER
11 PROJECTS IN THE L.A. BASIN. THIS HELPS DRIVE THE LOCAL ECONOMY
12 IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, WHICH IS A GOOD THING. IT PUTS THE
13 TAXPAYERS' DOLLARS BACK INTO THE COMMUNITY WHERE THEY LIVE. SO
14 I'D APPRECIATE IT IF YOU MOVE THIS THING ALONG, PUT IT ON A
15 NOVEMBER BALLOT SO WE CAN KEEP MEN AND WOMEN IN L.A. WORKING.
16 THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER?
19 YES.

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21 **KOKAYI KWAJITAHIDI:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS KOKAYI
22 KWAJITAHIDI, AND I'M THE POLICY DIRECTOR FOR LOS ANGELES
23 COUNTY FEDERATION OF LABOR. I'M HERE TO DELIVER A BRIEF
24 STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE FEDERATION'S EXECUTIVE SECRETARY-
25 TREASURER, RUSTY HICKS, WHO WANTED TO BE HERE TODAY, BUT



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1 UNFORTUNATELY HE'S IN WASHINGTON, D.C. THIS MORNING.
2 SUPERVISORS, AS AN ORGANIZATION THAT REPRESENTS OVER 800,000
3 HARD-WORKING ANGELENOS, INCLUDING MANY OF OUR AFFILIATES WHO
4 WORK THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT LOS ANGELES
5 REMAIN AT THE CUTTING EDGE OF ATTRACTING THE MOST SKILLED
6 EMPLOYEES TO RUN ONE OF THE LARGEST METRO SYSTEMS IN THE
7 COUNTRY. SINCE DAY ONE, WE'VE TAKEN PRIDE AND GIVEN INPUT ON A
8 MEASURE THAT WILL IMPROVE THE LIVES OF OVER 10 MILLION
9 RESIDENTS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY WHILE PROVIDING GOOD, LOCAL
10 JOBS TO THE TRANSIT SYSTEM. WE'RE IN SUPPORT OF THE TRANSIT
11 TAX MEASURE, BECAUSE IT MEANS FAMILY- SUSTAINING JOBS FOR THE
12 NEXT GENERATION OF ANGELENOS WAY BEYOND OUR LIFETIME. IT WILL
13 ALSO INCREASE MOBILITY, REDUCE TRAFFIC CONGESTION, AND MAKE
14 OUR COUNTY MORE LIVABLE AND INCLUSIVE. AS THE LOS ANGELES
15 LABOR MOVEMENT, WE LOOK FORWARD TO ASSISTING IN THE PASSAGE OF
16 THIS LANDMARK POLICY. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER?

19

20 **ED RENDON:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ED RENDON, AND I AM THE
21 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS FOR TEAMSTER'S JOINT COUNCIL 42,
22 WHICH REPRESENTS 150,000 MEMBERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.
23 TEAMSTERS STAND WITH OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN THE BUILDING
24 TRADES TO SUPPORT THE PASSAGE OF MEASURE M, WHICH WILL PROVIDE
25 A STEADY STREAM OF SIGNIFICANT JOBS RELATED TO THE RAILROAD



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1 HIGHWAY PROJECTS, RAIL AND HIGHWAY PROJECTS. MANY OF OUR
2 MEMBERS RESIDE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND WORK IN THE READY-MIX
3 INDUSTRY. WE ALSO STRONGLY SUPPORT MEASURE M BECAUSE OF ITS
4 DIRECT IMPACT ON THE COMMUNITIES WHERE WORKING PEOPLE LIVE AND
5 RAISE THEIR FAMILIES. MEASURE M PROVIDES FOR LOCAL HIRING AND
6 WILL ENHANCE THE USE OF APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS IN
7 DISADVANTAGED BUSINESSES. FINALLY, THE TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENT
8 PLAN CALLS FOR INCLUDING GOODS MOVEMENT IN THE REGION, WHICH
9 HAS A POSITIVE DIRECT IMPACT ON OUR COMMERCIAL TRUCK DRIVERS
10 EMPLOYED IN ALL SORTS OF FREIGHT, SMALL PARCEL, GROCERY, AND
11 WAREHOUSE INDUSTRIES. WE ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF MEASURE M.
12 THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT WITNESS.

15

16 **JERRY VELASCO:** YES, JERRY VELASCO, CITY COUNCIL MEMBER OF EL
17 MONTE. DEAR HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF EL
18 MONTE, I HEREBY RESPECTFULLY REQUEST YOUR SUPPORT FOR AGENDA
19 ITEM NO. 36, LOS ANGELES COUNTY METRO REQUEST TO PLACE A SALES
20 TAX MEASURE FOR THE TRANSPORTATION ON THE NOVEMBER 8TH BALLOT
21 FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY VOTERS TO CONSIDER. OUR REGION HAS
22 THE WORST TRAFFIC JAMS AND THE SMOGGIEST AIR IN THE COUNTRY.
23 CITIES SUCH AS EL MONTE, BY VIRTUE OF THEIR LOCATION IN THE
24 TRANSPORTATION NETWORK, ARE SIGNIFICANTLY IMPACTED BY POOR AIR
25 QUALITY THAT HAS GOTTEN WORSE BY TRAFFIC, CONGESTION AND



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1 MOBILITY CHALLENGES. WE MUST ACT NOW TO IMPROVE OUR AIR
2 QUALITY, OUR MOBILITY AND OUR REGIONAL ECONOMY BY IMPLEMENTING
3 THE PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS IN THE EXPENDITURE PLAN. THIS SALES
4 TAX MEASURE AND THE EXPENDITURE PLAN LISTS NUMEROUS
5 SIGNIFICANT TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS ACROSS LOS
6 ANGELES COUNTY WAS DEVELOPED WITH OUR C.O.G. SAN GABRIEL
7 VALLEY COUNTY OF GOVERNMENTS AND CITY COLLECTIVE INPUT IN
8 COLLABORATION THROUGH THE BOTTOM-UP TRANSPORTATION PROCESS
9 INITIATED BY THE L.A. METRO OVER THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS. NOT
10 ONLY DOES THE MEASURE ENJOY SUPPORT FROM OUR C.O.G., ON JUNE
11 28, 2016, OUR CITY OF EL MONTE CITY COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY
12 ADOPTED A RESOLUTION NO. 9661 IN SUPPORT OF THE MEASURE. THE
13 PROJECT AND PROGRAMS INCLUDED FOR THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY WERE
14 UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED BY THE C.O.G. AND RESULTED FROM A
15 CAREFULLY CRAFTED CONSENSUS AMONG DIFFERENT STAKEHOLDERS IN
16 OUR REGION. THE PROPOSED MEASURE REPRESENTS A FAIR AND
17 BALANCED APPROACH TO ADDRESSING ALL MODES OF TRANSPORTATION
18 BOTH NOW AND INTO THE FUTURE. THE PROPOSED MEASURE DEDICATES
19 FUNDING SOURCES FOR THE MOST NEEDY IN OUR COMMUNITY, IMPROVING
20 ACCESS FOR THE SENIORS, STUDENTS AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES.
21 THE MEASURE PASSES -- IF THE MEASURE PASSES, WE WILL NEED TO
22 CONTINUE OUR WORK TOGETHER AS THE REGION TO SECURE STATE AND
23 FEDERAL MATCHING FUNDS FOR OUR PROJECTS. NOT ALL PROJECTS IN
24 THE PLAN WILL BE FULLY FUNDED. I THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR
25 --



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, COUNCILMAN. I
3 APPRECIATE YOU COMING. WE ALSO HAVE BRANDON MATSON, MICHAEL
4 WOO, STEVE LYTLER, JULIA KINGSLEY, AND JEFF MONICAL. WELCOME.

5

6 **MICHAEL WOO:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. MY NAME IS MICHAEL WOO.
7 IN THE 1980S AND THE 1990S, I WAS A CITY COUNCILMEMBER WHO HAD
8 AN OPPORTUNITY TO VOTE ON THE FUNDING, THE INITIAL FUNDING ON
9 THE BLUE LINE AND THE RED LINE. IN THOSE DAYS, THERE WERE
10 QUITE A FEW PEOPLE AROUND WHO SAID PEOPLE IN SOUTHERN
11 CALIFORNIA WILL NEVER RIDE AROUND IN A HOLE IN THE GROUND. THE
12 LAST COUPLE OF DECADES, I THINK, HAVE SHOWN THAT IS NOT
13 EXACTLY THE CASE. AND I'M PROUD TO BE HERE TODAY TO URGE YOU
14 TO VOTE IN FAVOR OF PUTTING MEASURE M ON THE BALLOT. THERE ARE
15 TWO IMPORTANT POINTS TO MAKE. ONE IS THAT THIS REPRESENTS A
16 BALANCED APPROACH TO TRANSPORTATION; THAT IS, IN ADDITION TO
17 SUPPORTING TRANSIT EXPANSION AND IMPROVEMENT OF HIGHWAYS, IT
18 ALSO PROMOTES ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION. SO THIS BALANCED APPROACH
19 IS VERY IMPORTANT. SECOND, I WANTED TO, OF COURSE, POINT OUT
20 THE FACT THIS IS NOT A TEMPORARY BUT A PERMANENT INCREASE. A
21 TAX INCREASE, OF COURSE, IS ALWAYS SERIOUS. BUT I THINK IT
22 REFLECTS THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE COMMITMENT OF THIS BOARD OF
23 SUPERVISORS AS WELL AS CITY GOVERNMENTS AROUND THE COUNTY TO
24 SUPPORT MOVING IN THIS DIRECTION. SO, AS SOMEONE WHO HAS SEEN
25 THE ARC OF THE DECISIONMAKING SINCE THE '80S AND '90S WHEN



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1 THERE WAS A LOT MORE DOUBT THAT THIS DIRECTION MADE SENSE, I
2 URGE YOU TO VOTE IN FAVOR OF THIS MEASURE. IT'S NOT ONLY A
3 VOTE IN TERMS OF IMPROVING MOBILITY. IT'S ALSO A JOBS PROGRAM
4 AND AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM COMMITTING US TO THE
5 FUTURE OF L.A. COUNTY. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT WITNESS.

8

9 **STEVE LYTTLE:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME STREET STEVE LYTTLE. I'M THE
10 DIRECTOR OF THE SALVATION ARMY BELL SHELTER IN THE CITY OF
11 BELL. SINCE 1988, WE'VE BEEN HELPING TO ASSIST PERSONS
12 EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS, INCLUDING LARGE NUMBERS OF VETERANS
13 AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, TO ADDRESS THEIR BARRIERS TO
14 INDEPENDENCE AND MOVE TO PERMANENT HOUSING IN THE COMMUNITY.
15 I'M HERE THIS MORNING TO SUPPORT MEASURE M, AND WHILE I
16 APPRECIATE THE CONCERNS OF SOME MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY ABOUT
17 SOME PARTS OF THE PLAN, I STRONGLY SUPPORT THE TRANSPORTATION
18 ENHANCEMENTS THE MEASURE WILL GENERATE. MOST OF OUR CLIENTS
19 HAVE A LOT OF BARRIERS TO INDEPENDENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION IS
20 ONE OF THE MOST SIGNIFICANT. JUST GETTING TO DOCTORS'
21 APPOINTMENTS OR JOB INTERVIEWS OR WORK CAN BE AN ENORMOUS
22 CHALLENGE PARTICULARLY FOR PEOPLE WITH MOBILITY CHALLENGES.
23 THIS MEASURE WILL SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASE INVESTMENT IN HIGHWAY
24 AND TRANSIT PROJECTS, BUS/RAIL OPERATIONS, A.D.A. PARATRANSIT
25 FOR THE DISABLED AND AFFORDABLE FARES FOR SENIORS, STUDENTS



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1 AND THE DISABLED, AS WELL AS ENHANCED BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN
2 CONNECTIONS. THIS MEASURE WILL GREATLY ENHANCE THE QUALITY OF
3 LIFE FOR ALL COUNTY RESIDENTS, AND IT WILL BRING A HUGE
4 IMPROVEMENT IN THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR CLIENTS AT BELL
5 SHELTER, AS THEY WERE ABLE TO MORE EASILY AND QUICKLY ACCESS
6 THE SERVICES AND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES THEY NEED TO ACHIEVE
7 SELF-RELIANCE. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT WITNESS.

10

11 **BRANDON MATSON:** GOOD MORNING, COUNTY SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
12 BRANDON MATSON. I'M HERE TODAY ON BEHALF OF THE LOS ANGELES
13 COUNTY BUSINESS FEDERATION, BIZFED, REPRESENTING 155 BUSINESS
14 ORGANIZATIONS AND 275,000 EMPLOYERS WITH OVER 3 MILLION
15 EMPLOYEES ACROSS THE COUNTY, AND WE SUPPORT MEASURE M. BIZFED
16 WOULD LIKE TO COMMEND METRO'S HARD WORK AND PROACTIVE
17 ENGAGEMENT WITH THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY DURING THIS MONUMENTAL
18 UNDERTAKING. IN A PROCESS THAT IS NEARLY IMPOSSIBLE TO ENSURE
19 ALL STAKEHOLDERS GET WHAT THEY WANT, METRO SHOWED THEY WERE UP
20 TO THE TASK. THE DEVELOPMENT OF MEASURE M HAS BEEN A POSITIVE
21 ENGAGEMENT FROM START TO FINISH. BIZFED IS IN IT TO WIN IT ON
22 METRO'S PROPOSED PLAN TO EASE TRAFFIC. OUR 2016 MEMBERSHIP
23 POLL RESULTS RANKS TRAVEL TIME REDUCTION AS THE NO. 2 MOST
24 IMPORTANT ISSUE TO OUR MEMBERS. OUR MEMBERS KNOW THAT TRAFFIC
25 CONGESTION SIGNIFICANTLY AFFECTS FUTURE JOB GROWTH. IN FACT,



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1 44 PERCENT OF EMPLOYERS RANK TRAFFIC CONGESTION AS THE MAIN
2 REASON THAT BUSINESSES AND JOBS ARE LEAVING LOS ANGELES COUNTY
3 AND CALIFORNIA. WITH SOME SUGGESTED ADDITIONS, WE BELIEVE THAT
4 METRO'S BALLOT MEASURE COULD BE THE CRUCIAL INVESTMENT
5 STRATEGY TO STRENGTHEN OUR REGION'S ECONOMY AND IMPROVE OUR
6 MOBILITY AND AIR QUALITY. THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO
7 VOICE OUR SUPPORT FOR MEASURE M. THIS IS A VITAL UNDERTAKING
8 FOR THE HEALTH OF OUR REGION FOR YEARS TO COME, AND WE URGE
9 YOU TO SUPPORT MEASURE M. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANKS VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER?

12

13 **JULIA KINGSLEY:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
14 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. MY NAME IS JULIA KINGSLEY, AND I'M A
15 23-YEAR-OLD RESIDENT OF MID- CITY LOS ANGELES. I MOVED HERE IN
16 2011 TO STUDY AT OCCIDENTAL COLLEGE, WHERE I STUDIED A
17 COMBINATION OF COMMUNITY ORGANIZING AND URBAN PLANNING. I
18 CHOSE TO LIVE AND STUDY IN LOS ANGELES BECAUSE I SAW AN AREA
19 GROWING, CHANGING AND ADVANCING TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF A
20 BURGEONING POPULATION. MY INTEREST WAS SUSTAINABILITY AND SAW
21 LOS ANGELES AS GROUND ZERO FOR TAKING ACTION TO ADDRESS
22 POLLUTION, CONGESTION, ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ISSUES. I'M FROM
23 THE BOSTON AREA, WHERE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION IS TAKEN FOR
24 GRANTED AND WAS A PART OF MY DAILY ROUTINE. I WAS NOT DAUNTED
25 COMING OUT HERE WITHOUT A CAR, BECAUSE I KNEW LOS ANGELES HAD



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1 A WORLD-CLASS PUBLIC TRANSIT SYSTEM THAT WAS EXPANDING TO FIT
2 THE CITY'S NEEDS. AS THE QUARREL FELL ON PUBLIC AFFAIRS, AN
3 ENTIRE WEEK WAS DEDICATED TO THE IMPORTANCE AND VALUE OF AN
4 INTEGRATED TRANSIT SYSTEM WITHIN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS A
5 NECESSITY FOR 1.3 MILLION DAILY BOARDINGS. I REGULARLY HAVE
6 TAKEN THE METRO SINCE 2011, BECAUSE I SEE THE DIFFERENCE I
7 MAKE IN TRAFFIC AND CLEANER AIR. EVERY COMMUTER OUT OF THEIR
8 CAR AND ONTO THE METRO SYSTEM IS A STEP TOWARDS A HEALTHIER,
9 MORE CONNECTED COMMUNITY. MEASURE M WOULD MEAN MORE OF WHY I
10 MOVED OUT HERE, WHAT I STUDIED, AND IS THE FOUNDATION OF
11 CONTINUED GROWTH WITHIN LOS ANGELES. COMMUNITIES AROUND METRO
12 STOPS ARE FLOURISHING. PEOPLE ARE BIKING TO WORK USING METRO
13 BIKES. IT'S GOING TO TAKE TIME AND COMMITMENT TO CONTINUE THIS
14 GROWTH, FOR RIDERS AND OUR SUPERIORS. METRO IS CHANGING THE
15 WAY LOS ANGELES INTERACTS WITH ITS OWN LANDSCAPE. THANK YOU
16 FOR YOUR SUPPORT ON MEASURE M.

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER?

19

20 **JEFFREY MONICAL:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JEFFREY
21 MONICAL. SOME OF YOU MIGHT KNOW ME FROM ORGANIZING EFFORTS
22 HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. AND I'M ALSO ACTUALLY HONORED TO SERVE AS
23 ONE OF MS. KUEHL'S APPOINTEES TO THE COUNTY COMMISSIONS. NOW,
24 I'M HERE AS A BUSINESSMAN TODAY. I'VE HAD MY OFFICE IN SAN
25 GABRIEL VALLEY FOR ALMOST 20 YEARS, AND I'VE WATCHED THE



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1 TRAFFIC PROBLEMS GROW WORSE AND WORSE TO THE POINT NOW WHERE I
2 LOOK OUT MY WINDOW FOR TWO HOURS IN THE MORNING AND TWO HOURS
3 IN THE EVENING AND IT IS DEAD STOPPED OUTSIDE MY OFFICE. NOW,
4 MY OFFICE HAPPENS TO BE ON A NORTH/SOUTH ARTERY, AND I KNOW
5 IT'S NOT GOING GET ANY BETTER. TRANSIT PLANNING IS A
6 NECESSITY. I KNOW IT'S DIFFICULT FOR LEADERS TO TAKE ON THESE
7 CHALLENGES, BECAUSE, OF COURSE, PLANNING REQUIRES FUNDING. AND
8 THIS MEASURE, WHICH I HOPE YOU'LL APPROVE TODAY, IS A
9 MECHANISM THAT WE NEED FOR FIVE YEARS FROM NOW, 10 YEARS FROM
10 NOW, 20 YEARS FROM NOW. I URGE YOU, PLEASE, GIVE THE NEXT
11 GENERATION SOME TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS THAT I DIDN'T HAVE
12 GROWING UP IN LOS ANGELES. GIVE OUR NEXT GENERATION AN
13 OPPORTUNITY TO GET AROUND TOWN AND WITH ECONOMIC PROSPERITY
14 THAT COMES WITH IT. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE ALSO HAVE
17 MIKE GOMEZ, JESSICA MEANY, WESLEY REUTIMANN, MARK ROSOCKO,
18 JACKSON LAMB, TRUETT WRIGHT.

19

20 **WESLEY REUTIMANN:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS WES
21 REUTIMANN, AND I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR BIKE SAN GABRIEL
22 VALLEY. WE ARE HERE TODAY AS AN ORGANIZATION THAT SUPPORTS A
23 MORE BICYCLE, PEDESTRIAN AND TRANSIT-FRIENDLY REGION, AND AS
24 SUCH, WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THE PROPOSED BALLOT MEASURE. AS YOU
25 KNOW, WE HAVE MADE TREMENDOUS STRIDES SINCE MEASURE R WAS



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1 ADOPTED, AND THIS IS REALLY A CRUCIAL CROSSROADS THAT WE'RE AT
2 WHERE WE CAN ACCELERATE THOSE TREMENDOUS IMPROVEMENTS THAT
3 HAVE BEEN MADE OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS. AND AS SUCH, WE WOULD
4 LOVE TO, YOU KNOW, SUPPORT THIS MEASURE AND LET IT GO BEFORE
5 VOTERS, WHO I THINK WE ALL RECOGNIZE UNDERSTAND AND SEE THE
6 NEED FOR THESE IMPROVEMENTS AND INCLUDING ACTIVE
7 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS. AND THIS IS SOMETHING THAT
8 COUNTIES ACROSS CALIFORNIA HAVE RECOGNIZED AND ARE DEDICATING
9 SOME FUNDING, BECAUSE PEOPLE NEED TO GET TO OUR TRANSIT STOPS
10 AND WALKING AND BIKING ARE TWO EXCELLENT WAYS TO DO SO THAT
11 PROMOTE OUR HEALTH AND MEET OTHER REGIONAL NEEDS, INCLUDING
12 AIR-QUALITY IMPROVEMENTS. SO WITH THAT SAID, WE SUPPORT THE
13 BOARD'S CONSIDERATION OF THIS AND HOPE WE GET A CHANCE TO VOTE
14 ON IT IN NOVEMBER. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

17

18 **MIKE GOMEZ:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR AND BOARD OF
19 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MIKE GOMEZ. I'M A LOS ANGELES COUNTY
20 RESIDENT. I'M ALSO A COMMISSIONER ON THE COUNTY COMMISSION ON
21 CONSUMER AFFAIRS ADVISORY COMMISSION. AND I'M HERE TODAY TO
22 URGE YOUR SUPPORT TO VOTE FOR THIS MEASURE TO PUT IT ON THE
23 NOVEMBER BALLOT. THIS MEASURE IS SUCH AN IMPORTANT MEASURE.
24 EVERYBODY HAS HAD EXPERIENCE IN LOS ANGELES WITH TRAFFIC. AND
25 WE KNOW WHAT WE ARE FACING ON A DAILY BASIS. THIS MEASURE IS A



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1 GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY FOR THIS BOARD, FOR THE BOARD OF
2 SUPERVISORS, TO INITIATE AND PUT ON THE BALLOT SOMETHING
3 THAT'S GOING TO AFFECT OUR RESIDENTS FOR THE NEXT 30, 40, 50
4 YEARS. THIS STEP THAT YOU'RE GOING TAKE, IT'S A CONCRETE STEP
5 TO ALLEVIATE THE PROBLEMS THAT WE HAVE HERE IN THE CITY,
6 ESPECIALLY BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT A COUPLE MORE MILLION PEOPLE
7 ARE GOING TO BE COMING TO L.A. IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF DECADES.
8 SO THAT BEING SAID, WE ALSO KNOW THAT THIS MEASURE WILL
9 GENERATE \$132 BILLION TO HELP ALLEVIATE OUR CONGESTION. I
10 THINK THAT ONE OF THE BIGGEST PROBLEMS OBVIOUSLY THAT WE HAVE
11 IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IS OUR TRAFFIC CONGESTION AND
12 EVERYTHING THAT IT BRINGS WITH IT, THE SMOG. SO WE'RE TALKING
13 ABOUT A QUALITY OF LIFE FOR OUR RESIDENTS FOR THE NEXT 40
14 YEARS. I URGE YOU VERY WHOLEHEARTEDLY TO PLEASE VOTE TO PUT
15 THIS MEASURE M ON THE BALLOT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

16

17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO CALL UP TRUETT
18 WRIGHT, MARIA ALEXANDER, MARK FAUCETTE, AND MRS. EUNISSES
19 HERNANDEZ. ALSO LIKE TO CALL UP ERNESTO PANTOJA AND ANTONIO
20 SANCHEZ. IF I CALLED YOUR NAME, JUST COME FORWARD. WE CAN
21 START LINING YOU UP. THANK YOU. GO AHEAD, SIR.

22

23 **ANTONIO SANCHEZ:** GOOD MORNING. I'M SORRY. I HAVE A BAD VOICE
24 THIS MORNING. SO MY NAME IS ANTONIO SANCHEZ. I'M WITH THE
25 ELECTRICIANS UNION. I.B.E.W. LOCAL 11. WE REPRESENT ABOUT



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1 12,000 MEMBERS IN L.A. COUNTY. I MYSELF, LIKE MOST OF OUR
2 MEMBERS, TAKE PUBLIC TRANSIT, ARE CYCLISTS, ARE PEDESTRIANS AT
3 TIMES. SO WE'RE VERY SUPPORTIVE AND HOPEFUL THAT THIS MEASURE
4 WILL MOVE FORWARD. AS WE MAKE -- CONTINUE TO BETTER LOS
5 ANGELES, MEASURE R HAS HELPED US. IT'S PUT THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE
6 TO WORK. IT'S PUT APPRENTICES INTO THE TRADES. AND IT'S HELPED
7 JOURNEYMEN CONTINUE THEIR CAREERS AND PUT FOOD ON THEIR
8 TABLES. SO WE ASK YOU TO MOVE FORWARD. THIS IS GOING TO BE A
9 BIG, BIG, BIG IMPROVEMENT FOR OUR RAIL SYSTEM, FOR OUR
10 STREETS, AND FOR OUR SIDEWALKS. SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.
11 WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO PUTTING MORE ANGELENOS TO WORK. THANK
12 YOU.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

15

16 **ERNESTO PANTOJA:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD MEMBERS, MADAME CHAIR. MY
17 NAME IS ERNESTO PANTOJA. I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF SERGIO RASCON,
18 BUSINESS MANAGER OF LABOR LOCAL 300, AND OUR OVER 8,000 ACTIVE
19 MEMBERS IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY. WE'RE HERE TO SPEAK ON
20 BEHALF OF PUTTING THIS MEASURE ON THE BALLOT. AS YOU KNOW,
21 THIS ISN'T JUST ABOUT CONSTRUCTION JOBS. MEASURE R.1 ACTUALLY
22 KEPT A LOT OF OUR MEMBERS ALIVE AND WORKING DURING THE
23 DOWNTURN IN THE ECONOMY. AND FOR US IT'S CRUCIAL AND CRITICAL,
24 BECAUSE THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY WAS ONE OF THE LAST
25 INDUSTRIES TO RECOVER FROM THE RECESSION. SO I CAN'T TELL YOU



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1 HOW IMPORTANT THIS MEASURE WOULD BE FOR OUR MEMBERS MOVING
2 FORWARD. PARTICULARLY I'M GOING TO TELL YOU REALLY QUICKLY A
3 STORY OF ONE OF OUR MEMBERS WHO HAS FOUND SUCCESS THROUGH
4 MEASURE R.1. JASON BAEZ, EX-FELON, EX-GANG MEMBER, CAME OUT OF
5 PRISON, FOUND A LIFE WITH THE LABORERS, WAS ACTUALLY EMPLOYED
6 ON TWO PROJECTS THAT WERE FUNDED BY MEASURE R.1, THE 405
7 PROJECT AND THE LIGHT RAIL EXTENSION. THROUGH THAT, HE
8 ACTUALLY TOOK PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION WHILE HE WAS DOING HIS
9 APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM FOR THE LABORERS, JOURNEYED OUT, WAS
10 ABLE TO BUY HIS FIRST VEHICLE, ABLE TO RAISE A FAMILY, BUY HIS
11 FIRST HOME, AND ACTUALLY ENDED UP BUYING HIS OWN BUSINESS. AND
12 FROM THAT, HE WAS ABLE TO BUY A TRIPLEX, WHICH HE ALSO NOW IS
13 TURNING INTO A RENTAL PROPERTY. SO WHAT I THINK WE FAIL TO
14 REALIZE IS NOT JUST THAT THIS CREATES CONSTRUCTION JOBS FOR
15 CONSTRUCTION WORKERS. IT'S WHO WE'RE GIVING JOBS TO, WHO WE'RE
16 PULLING OUT. A LOT OF TIMES WE END UP BEING SECOND CHANCES AND
17 LAST CHANCES FOR A LOT OF THESE PEOPLE WHO DON'T HAVE QUITE A
18 CAREER PATH BUT HELP US CREATE MORE STORIES AND MORE CAREERS
19 LIKE JASON BAEZ. WE REALLY ASK YOU TO PLEASE CONSIDER PUTTING
20 THIS ON THE BALLOT. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. COUNCILMEMBER?
23 JORGE MORALES.

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1 **JORGE MORALES:** GOOD MORNING, JORGE MORALES, COUNCILMEMBER ON
2 THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE. ON BEHALF OF CITY OF SOUTH GATE I'M
3 HERE IN SUPPORT OF THE MEASURE. YOU KNOW, ONE OF THE THINGS, I
4 WANT TO BEGIN BY THANKING YOU FOR PUTTING THIS ON. IT'S
5 USUALLY DIFFICULT FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS TO TAKE ON MEASURES
6 SUCH AS THIS, BECAUSE WE GET HIT WITH THE PAYMENTS AT FIRST
7 AND NOT THE PROJECTS. SO IT'S A TOUGH ENDEAVOR TO TAKE ON. BUT
8 I CONGRATULATE YOUR FOR THAT, BECAUSE WE LIVE IN A LEGAL
9 SYSTEM WHERE WE HAVE TO NOT ONLY CARE ABOUT OUR OWN CITIES BUT
10 AS A REGION AS A WHOLE AND THE COUNTY. SO, I'M GRATEFUL THAT
11 YOU GUYS HAVE TAKEN ON THIS ENDEAVOR. FOR US, WE HAVE THE
12 LARGEST LEVELS OF CHILDREN WITH OBESITY, ASTHMA AND DIABETES.
13 SO PROVIDING OPEN SPACE FOR OUR KIDS IS INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT
14 FOR US, NOT JUST IN SOUTH GATE BUT THE ENTIRE COUNTY OF LOS
15 ANGELES. SO WE'RE GRATEFUL FOR THE EFFORTS THAT THE
16 SUPERVISORS HAVE TAKEN ON THIS MEASURE. FOR US, IT MEANS
17 CONNECTING TO THE L.A. RIVER. IT MEANS GREATER OPEN SPACE FOR
18 OUR CHILDREN TO PLAY IN, ESPECIALLY ON THE WEST SIDE OF SOUTH
19 GATE, WHICH IS NEAR THE ALAMEDA CORRIDOR. SO, AGAIN, WE'RE
20 THANKFUL, WE'RE HERE IN SUPPORT OF IT, AND WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO
21 VOTE YES ON THIS ITEM. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

22

23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR COMING. WE HAVE FRANK
24 ALVAREZ, JERARD WRIGHT, DORA LEUNG, VINCENT CHANG, AND DENNIS
25 BERTONE.



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2 **JERARD WRIGHT:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. JERARD WRIGHT,
3 POLICY ANALYST WITH MOVE L.A. BY THE WAY, MR. ANTONOVICH,
4 GREAT LOOKING SPORT JACKET. WHETHER YOU SUPPORT THE MEASURE OR
5 OPPOSE IT, A KEY MESSAGE AND THE KEY DESCRIPTION HERE IS TO
6 ALLOW THE VOTERS TO DECIDE ON THIS FOR THE NOVEMBER
7 CONSOLIDATED BALLOT. THAT'S THE MESSAGE HERE. LET THE VOTERS
8 DECIDE. HERE IN MOVE L.A., WE'RE SUPPORTIVE OF MEASURE M
9 BECAUSE OF WHAT THE TRANSIT TRANSFORMATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES
10 THAT THIS FUNDING WOULD PROVIDE: PROJECTS LIKE THE WEST SANTA
11 ANA CORRIDOR, SEPULVEDA PASS, GOODS MOVEMENT IMPROVEMENTS,
12 ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION, FIRST MILE/LAST MILE INVESTMENTS, BEING
13 ABLE TO PROVIDE STUDENT AND SENIOR DISABLED DISCOUNTED PASSES
14 AND SERVICES, OUR EXPANDED COUNTY-WIDE BUS RAPID TRANSIT
15 SYSTEM. THERE IS SO MUCH TO LIKE AND TO LOVE WITH THE MEASURE.
16 NOW, IT'S NOT PERFECT, OF COURSE NOT. BUT AT ITS CORE, IT CAME
17 FROM A BOTTOMS-UP APPROACH THAT ENABLED EVERYONE FROM MANY
18 COMMUNITIES OVER A TWO- TO THREE-YEAR PERIOD TO DECIDE ON IT
19 AND THAT'S WHAT'S IMPORTANT HERE AND TO CONTINUE THAT MESSAGE.
20 PLACE THIS ON THE CONSOLIDATED BALLOT FOR NOVEMBER 2016. WITH
21 THAT, I CLOSE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

22

23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER?

24



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1 **FRANK ALVAREZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME
2 IS FRANK ALVAREZ AND I'M A REGIONAL COORDINATOR WITH THE
3 YOUTHBUILD CONSTRUCTION ACADEMY HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
4 THE YOUTHBUILD NETWORK WORKS WITH THE LOS ANGELES AND ORANGE
5 COUNTY BUILDING TRADES IN DELIVERING THE MULTICRAFT CORE
6 CURRICULUM. IT'S AN APPRENTICESHIP READINESS CURRICULUM THAT
7 PROVIDES YOUNG FOLKS, 18 TO 24 WHO ARE UNSUCCESSFUL IN THE
8 TRADITIONAL SCHOOL SYSTEM FOR A CONSTRUCTION CAREER, FOR AN
9 OPPORTUNITY TO EARN A MIDDLE-CLASS LIFESTYLE AND LIVE THEIR
10 AMERICAN DREAM. WE'RE IN SUPPORT OF MEASURE M. WE ASK THAT THE
11 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BE IN SUPPORT OF THAT. OVER THE LAST FEW
12 MONTHS, WE HAVE SEEN MANY OF OUR YOUNG PEOPLE GET INTO THE
13 TRADES. WE HAVE 15 IN THE IRONWORKERS. WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO
14 PLACE 4 IN THE FLOOR-LAYERS, 2 IN THE PAINTERS, 2 IN THE
15 ELECTRICIANS. AND, OF COURSE, THIS IS JUST OVER THE LAST FEW
16 MONTHS, AND WE'RE EXPECTING TO PLACE MORE IN THE SUMMERTIME.
17 FOR US, WE'RE ALSO IN SUPPORT OF MEASURE M, BECAUSE IT
18 INCREASES AFFORDABLE TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS FOR OUR YOUNG
19 FOLKS. A LOT OF OUR YOUNG FOLKS COME FROM AREAS LIKE SOUTH
20 L.A., UNINCORPORATED EAST L.A., PALMDALE, EL MONTE, AND THEY
21 LACK OPTIONS FOR TRANSPORTATION AND IT'S DIFFICULT FOR THEM TO
22 GET TO SCHOOL. MEASURE M PROVIDES THAT. IT MAKES IT
23 AFFORDABLE. WITHIN YOUTHBUILD WE COULD DEDICATE OUR RESOURCES
24 TO OTHER NEEDS, OTHER NEEDS THAT SUPPORT THEM IN THE PLACEMENT
25 AND HELPING THEM GET THEIR CONSTRUCTION CAREER. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YES.

3

4 **DENNIS BERTONE:** YES, MY NAME IS DENNIS BERTONE. I'M ON THE
5 CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS, AND MOST OF IT'S BEEN
6 SAID SO I'LL KEEP IT SHORT. FOR THE CITY OF SAN DIMAS, WITHOUT
7 MEASURE M, THERE WILL BE NO EXTENSION OF THE FOOTHILL GOLD
8 LINE. AND THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WE DON'T WANT TO STOP IN
9 AZUSA. WE WANT IT TO GO ALL THE WAY TO CLAREMONT AND ALL THE
10 WAY TO THE ONTARIO AIRPORT. SO I WOULD ENCOURAGE THE BOARD OF
11 SUPERVISORS TO LET THE PEOPLE DECIDE AND PUT IT ON THE BALLOT.
12 AND I WOULD JUST LIKE END BY SAYING THANK YOU TO MIKE
13 ANTONOVICH FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE GOLD LINE. THE CITY OF SAN
14 DIMAS APPRECIATES IT VERY MUCH. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GREAT. THANK YOU. [INAUDIBLE]

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER? YES, MA'AM.

19

20 **VINCENT CHANG:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
21 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS VINCENT CHANG. I'M THE
22 ELECTED CITY CLERK FOR THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK AS WELL AS
23 THE COFOUNDING PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD FOR BIKE S.G.V. OR BIKE
24 SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. ALSO I'M HERE TODAY AS PART OF THE
25 A.A.R.P. THIS, I SEE THIS MEASURE AS A WIN/WIN SITUATION FOR



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1 ALL, AS YOU CAN HEAR FROM THE TESTIMONY OF ALL THE DIFFERENT
2 GROUPS THAT WERE UP HERE. THIS MEASURE WILL NOT ONLY HELP OUT
3 WITH THE CONGESTION THAT WE HAVE. OVER THE YEARS, WE HAVE DONE
4 BUSINESS IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, AND YOU SEE THAT TRAFFIC
5 GETTING WORSE AND WORSE. NOW, THAT WAS ONE OF THE REASONS WHY
6 WE CAME UP WITH THE ADVOCACY FOR THE ALTERNATIVE
7 TRANSPORTATION, SUCH AS WITH BIKE S.G.V., BIKE TRANSPORTATION,
8 DIFFERENT PEDESTRIAN MEASURES. SO THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY
9 FOR US, NOT ONLY FOR US AS BABY BOOMERS, WHO WE'RE GETTING TO
10 A POINT WHERE MAYBE WE MIGHT HAVE TO GIVE UP OUR VEHICLE
11 TRANSPORTATION. WE'RE SO USED TO GOING IN A CAR, BUT IT SO
12 WONDERFUL TO BE ABLE TO TAKE THE METRO AND GO WHERE YOU WANT
13 TO GO, SUCH AS GOING TO THE BEACH AND ENJOYING THE DAY. SO, I
14 FULLY SUPPORT THIS MEASURE AND I CERTAINLY ENCOURAGE THE BOARD
15 OF SUPERVISORS TO PUT THIS ON THE BALLOT. THANK YOU.

16
17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

18
19 **DORA LEUNG:** MY NAME IS DORA LEUNG. I'M FROM CITY OF MONTEREY
20 PARK. I'M THE PRESIDENT OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND ALSO A
21 FRIEND OF A.A.R.P. WE ARE SO EXCITED TO HAVE OUR SUPERVISOR TO
22 HAVE THIS LEADERSHIP. WE SUPPORT AND FAVOR OF THE MEASURE A IN
23 ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION, THE MOBILITY FOR THE SENIOR AND ALSO
24 THE COMMUNITY. THIS IS GOING TO BE AN EFFECT SO PROFOUNDLY IN
25 THE NEXT 5 OR 10 OR 15 YEARS, PARTICULARLY IN THE CITY IN WEST



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1 SAN GABRIEL AREA. WE HAVE SO MANY MOTELS AND HOTELS COMING UP,
2 AND THIS IS GOING TO HAVE A GOOD TRANSPORTATION AND TOURISTS
3 TO COME OVER IN THE LOS ANGELES CITY AND TO PROSPER THE
4 ECONOMY AS A WHOLE, THE TRANSPORTATION AND ALSO THE JOB
5 OPENING. ONE OF THE NEEDS PROBABLY PROMOTE AFTER 50 YEARS
6 SENIOR, LIKE HOW TO START UP A BUSINESS THAT WILL BE ONE OF
7 THE ADVOCATES TO ENCOURAGE NEW BUSINESS. I'M VERY HAPPY THAT
8 SUPERVISOR SOLIS HAS THE LEADERSHIP, AND WE DEFINITELY NEED TO
9 VOTE FOR THAT. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE HAVE ARNOLD SACHS AND
12 MARIE CORONADO AND STEPHANIE RAMIREZ. WELCOME.

13

14 **MARIA CORONADO:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS MARIA CORONADO. I'M
15 FROM THE THE SOUTHWEST REGIONAL COUNCIL OF CARPENTERS, AND WE
16 SUPPORT MEASURE M. WE ARE VERY PROUD OF THE WORK WE DO WITHIN
17 OUR APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS. WE HAVE STATE-OF-THE-ART TRAINING
18 CENTERS. WE PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN, MINORITIES, AND
19 MANY DISADVANTAGED WORKERS. THIS MEASURE WOULD PROVIDE CAREERS
20 FOR THOUSANDS OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS INTO THE FUTURE, NOT TO
21 MENTION THE EFFECT THAT IT WOULD HAVE ON THE ENVIRONMENT. WE
22 SUPPORT MEASURE M. THANK YOU.

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24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER?
25 YES, MA'AM.



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2 **STEPHANIE RAMIREZ:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF

3 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS STEPHANIE RAMIREZ. I'M AN

4 ASSOCIATE STATE DIRECTOR WITH A.A.R.P. CALIFORNIA. THANK YOU

5 FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS YOU ON BEHALF OF OUR MEMBERS

6 THAT ARE HERE IN THE AUDIENCE AS WELL AS THOSE WHO COULD NOT

7 ATTEND BECAUSE THEIR CURRENT TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS ACCESSIBLE

8 TO THEM WERE UNABLE TO GET THEM TO THIS MEETING HERE ON TIME.

9 L.A. COUNTY'S EXPERIENCING A SIZABLE INCREASE IN THE OLDER

10 ADULT POPULATION, AN EXPECTED NATIONWIDE TREND AS BABY BOOMERS

11 AGE. AND THE NUMBER OF PERSONS 60- PLUS RESIDING IN GREATER

12 LOS ANGELES IS UPWARDS TO 1.7 MILLION, WHICH TRANSLATES TO 1

13 OUT OF 4 60-PLUS INDIVIDUALS LIVING IN THE COUNTY, AND IT'S

14 ONLY GROWING. MEASURE M CAN BE CRITICAL IN SUPPORTING L.A.

15 COUNTY'S RECENT COMMITMENT TO BECOME A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE FOR

16 PEOPLE OF ALL AGES. AS YOU KNOW, TRANSPORTATION IS A CRITICAL

17 LINK CONNECTING OLDER ADULTS AND THEIR FAMILIES TO SOCIAL

18 ACTIVITIES, ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES, AND COMMUNITY SERVICES.

19 MEASURE M CAN HELP LOCAL COMMUNITIES ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF THIS

20 GROWING POPULATION AND ENSURE OLDER ADULTS AND PEOPLE WITH

21 DISABILITIES HAVE TRANSPORTATION CHOICES THAT BEST FIT THEIR

22 NEEDS. BUILDING A SYSTEM THAT MAKES IT EASIER TO GET AROUND

23 THE REGION IS VITAL FOR EVERYONE REGARDLESS OF AGE. ON BEHALF

24 OF CLOSE TO 700,000 A.A.R.P. MEMBERS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WE

25 RESPECTFULLY REQUEST YOUR SUPPORT FOR THIS ITEM. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MEMBERS OF A.A.R.P., PLEASE STAND. I
3 THINK I IDENTIFIED THEM, THE RED T-SHIRTS? OKAY, THANK YOU.
4 WELCOME. [APPLAUSE.] AND ALSO I WANT TO RECOGNIZE L.I.U.N.A. I
5 KNOW WE HAD A SPEAKER EARLIER, BUT THEY ARE THE ORANGE T-
6 SHIRTS, L.I.U.N.A. LABORERS LOCAL 300. THANK YOU. AND I
7 BELIEVE THE CARPENTERS? YOU GUYS WANT TO STAND UP? THANK YOU
8 FOR COMING. WE HAVE MR. SACHS.

9

10 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. AND
11 OF COURSE, THIS MEASURE WILL PASS. BUT I'M CONCERNED ABOUT NOT
12 THE REVENUE THAT'S COMING IN BUT HOW IT'S GOING TO BE SPENT.
13 WE'VE DISCUSSED BEFORE, YOU HAVE MEASURE PROP A, PROP C,
14 MEASURE R, AND NOW YOU HAVE MEASURE R.2. SO PROP A AND PROP C
15 ARE DIFFERENT, ALL HALF-CENT SALES TAXES, ALL CREATING
16 DIFFERENT AMOUNTS OF REVENUE FOR THE METRO BOARD. HOW IS THAT
17 POSSIBLE? HERE'S AN ARTICLE FROM 3/12/15. PROP A REVENUE, \$779
18 MILLION. PROP C REVENUE, \$829 MILLION. \$50 MILLION DIFFERENCE.
19 WHO CARES? THAT'S FROM 3/12/15. FROM MARCH 17, 2016, I
20 MENTIONED PROP A REVENUE, \$746 MILLION. PROP C REVENUE, \$858
21 MILLION. \$112 MILLION DIFFERENCE IN REVENUE. SO, BETWEEN THOSE
22 TWO YEARS, THERE'S \$172 MILLION DIFFERENCE IN REVENUE BETWEEN
23 THE TWO HALF- CENT SALES TAXES. WHO CARES? METRO'S GOT MONEY.
24 WELL, NO, METRO DOESN'T HAVE MONEY. COUNTY'S GOT MONEY. NO,
25 THE COUNTY DOESN'T HAVE MONEY. THEN YOU HAVE MEASURE R. THIS



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1 IS THE DOCUMENTATION FOR THE MEASURE R PROGRAM THAT WOULD HAVE
2 PRESENTED THE \$40 BILLION, ALL THE WORK THAT WENT INTO IT, ALL
3 THE REPORTS, EVERYTHING. THIS IS A NOTICE FROM SUPERVISOR
4 KNABE ABOUT THE BAY'S BOOK AND THE FORECASTING OF FUNDING AND
5 THE FACT THAT YOU ARE NOW \$3 BILLION BEHIND SCHEDULE IN YOUR
6 FUNDING. WHO CARES? JUST GIVE US MORE MONEY. WE'LL SPEND IT
7 APPROPRIATELY. BUT WHO CARES, AND HOW DO YOU KNOW? WELL,
8 BECAUSE WE HAVE EXPERTS. WE HAVE ALL THESE PEOPLE SUPPORTED.
9 CAN YOU IMAGINE LIVING YOUR LIFE FOLLOWING METRO'S PROGRAMS?

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MEMBERS, AT THIS TIME, I'D LIKE TO
12 RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR KNABE. YOU WANTED TO MAKE A COMMENT?

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** I JUST WANTED TO SHARE SOME COMMENTS AND CONCERNS
15 ABOUT THE MEASURE BEFORE US. I MEAN OBVIOUSLY IT WAS OBVIOUS
16 BY THE TESTIMONY THIS MORNING, YOU KNOW WHERE THE OPPOSITION
17 IS AND THE CONCERNS IN OTHER C.O.G.S. THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY.
18 AND, YOU KNOW, I HAVE TWO CONCERNS. ONE OBVIOUSLY IS THE OPEN
19 CHECKBOOK. ONE OF THE GREAT THINGS ABOUT THIS MEASURE BEFORE
20 US WAS THE ABILITY TO DO IT FROM THE BOTTOM UP, AND WITH THE
21 EXPIRATION IN A FEW YEARS AND THE OUTLOOK, AT LEAST THERE WAS
22 A REVIEW PROCESS. AGAIN, THERE WILL BE NO REVIEW PROCESS IN
23 THIS, BECAUSE THIS IS A FOREVER, THIS IS AN OPEN CHECK, THIS
24 IS A FOREVER TAX, AND I DO HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THAT. THE FACT
25 IS THAT, YOU KNOW, AGAIN, THE OTHER MAJOR ISSUE BEING



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1 GEOGRAPHIC EQUITY, AND AS IT RELATES TO THE LABOR ISSUES AND
2 JOBS, I MEAN, THE ISSUE HERE BEING GEOGRAPHIC AREA EQUITY HAS
3 NOTHING TO DO WITH THE JOBS. THE JOBS WILL BE CREATED. IT'S
4 WHETHER THEY WORK IN THE SEPULVEDA PASS OR WHETHER THEY'LL BE
5 ABLE TO WORK IN THE SOUTHEAST AREA, SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, THE
6 WEST SIDE, NORTH COUNTY, WHEREVER IT MAY BE. AND THAT'S THE
7 ISSUE BEFORE US AS IT RELATES TO THE EQUITY BEFORE US. AND
8 THEN THE OTHER BIG ISSUE IS THE ISSUE OF SOME OF THE NEW
9 MEASURE M PROJECTS JUMPING AHEAD OF THE ORIGINAL R PROJECTS,
10 WHICH 8 YEARS INTO MEASURE R, I THINK IT IS JUST UNFAIR TO THE
11 CITIZENS OF THIS GREAT COUNTY WHO VOTED FOR MEASURE R AND WHO
12 MAY BE SUPPORTING MEASURE M, AS WELL, TOO, TO HAVE SOME OF
13 THESE NEW PROJECTS JUMP AHEAD OF SOME OF THE EXISTING PROJECTS
14 THAT THE VOTERS EXPECTED TO BE DONE IN A TIMELY, TIMELY
15 MANNER. AS I SHARED AND THE MAYOR OF LONG BEACH AGREES THAT
16 WHAT'S HAPPENED DOWN THERE IS BY THE TIME LONG BEACH SEES SOME
17 OF THAT MONEY, AS AN EXAMPLE, THE MAYOR'S WHO'S VERY YOUNG
18 WILL BE AS OLD AS ME. AND HE SAID, YEAH, THAT'S OLD. BUT,
19 ANYWAY, I HAVE VERY STRONG CONCERNS, AND I'M NOT YET SURE I'M
20 ON BOARD WITH THE MEASURE ITSELF. BUT I WILL SUPPORT LETTING
21 THE VOTERS OF THIS COUNTY, AS WE DID BEFORE WITH MEASURE R,
22 PUT IT BEFORE THEM WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO SAY UP OR DOWN TO
23 THIS EXPENDITURE PLAN. SO I WILL BE SUPPORTING PUTTING IT ON
24 THE BALLOT.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** IN SPITE OF ALL THAT, GREAT.

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3 **SUP. KNABE:** NOT IN SPITE.

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THAT'S GOOD. I'M GLAD. WE'RE MOVING
6 THE METER.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR, I WOULD NOT WANT TO MAKE LIGHT OF MY
9 CONCERNS, OKAY?

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE'RE MOVING. THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR
12 ANTONOVICH AND SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND THEN I'LL MAKE A
13 STATEMENT. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** ONE OF THE PROBLEMS THAT THE M.T.A.
16 HAS HAD IN THE PAST IS THAT WE HAD PROJECTS COMING FROM THE
17 TOP DOWN, NOT THE BOTTOM UP. SO, WHEN I BECAME CHAIRMAN AT
18 M.T.A., WE SENT OUT LETTERS TO ALL OF THE CITIES THAT WE
19 WANTED AND THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES TO HAVE THEIR IDEAS,
20 WHAT WAS NEEDED, WHAT COULD BE ACHIEVED, PRIORITIZED THOSE,
21 AND THEN WORK FROM THE BOTTOM UP. AND EACH OF THE SUBSEQUENT
22 CHAIRMEN OF THE M.T.A. FOLLOWED THAT PHILOSOPHY. WE WERE
23 WORKING TO GET FROM THE BOTTOM UP INSTEAD OF THE TOP DOWN. ONE
24 OF THE PROBLEMS WITH MEASURE R, MEASURE R WAS EVERYTHING BEING
25 DEvised WITHOUT THE STRONG SUPPORT FROM ALL OF OUR COMMUNITIES



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1 SO WE WOULD BE DEVELOPING A REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM.
2 AND THE PROPOSAL BEFORE US TODAY, WHICH WOULD GO BEFORE THE
3 VOTERS, IS BASICALLY THE INPUT FROM THE BOTTOM UP FOR A
4 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM. AND AS ONE, AS MAYOR FASANA
5 AND OTHERS HAVE ARGUED, THE GOLD LINE, WHICH HAS BEEN A
6 TREMENDOUS ASSET TO OUR REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM, HAS
7 INCREASED ITS RIDERSHIP BEYOND ALL THE PROJECTIONS, AND WE
8 FINALLY HAD TO FIGHT TOOTH AND NAIL TO EVEN GET THE PROJECT
9 GOING FORWARD. WE HAD TO GO TO SACRAMENTO TO FIGHT TO GET A
10 SPECIAL PROPOSAL ADOPTED, A SPECIAL LAW SO THAT THE CITIES IN
11 THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COULD FORM A CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY TO
12 BUILD THAT SYSTEM. NOW WE'RE VERY CLOSE TO GETTING TO
13 CLAREMONT, AND WE ARE VERY CLOSE TO BEGIN WORKING A MEANINGFUL
14 RELATIONSHIP WITH SAN BERNADINO COUNTY TO HAVE AN ONTARIO
15 CONNECTION. AND I WILL COMMEND THE MAYOR GARCETTI FOR ALLOWING
16 ONTARIO TO ACQUIRE THE AIRPORT JUST AS PALMDALE IS ABLE TO
17 ACQUIRE THE PALMDALE THERE. SO, WE'RE WORKING TOWARDS A
18 REGIONAL SYSTEM. AND THE PROPOSAL BEFORE US TODAY IS GOING
19 BEFORE THE VOTERS ASKING FOR THEIR SUPPORT. SO I'M NOT
20 DISPLEASED AT SOME PROJECTS THAT HAD BEEN IN MEASURE R AND NOW
21 HAVE BEEN DISPLACED, BECAUSE THOSE WERE PROJECTS NOT
22 NECESSARILY COMING FROM THE BOTTOM UP BUT FROM THE TOP DOWN TO
23 GET SPECIAL VOTES TO GET A PROPOSAL IN THAT WAS HAVING A
24 SERIOUS PROBLEM AND HAVING A COMPREHENSIVE REGIONAL
25 TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM WHICH MEASURE M IS MOVING FORWARD WITH.



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1 AND I WANT TO COMMEND ALSO MR. PHIL WASHINGTON, WHO'S THE
2 DIRECTOR OF THE M.T.A., FOR BRINGING CREDIBILITY AND HONESTY
3 TO THE SYSTEM AND TO THE PROCESS ALONG WITH MY COLLEAGUES ON
4 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

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6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. SUPERVISOR
7 KUEHL?

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9 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU. MR. MONICAL SAID WHEN THIS WOULD
10 BE THE FIRST TIME IN HIS LIFE THAT HE WOULD HAVE THESE OPTIONS
11 FOR PUBLIC TRANSIT, BUT THAT'S BECAUSE HE'S SO MUCH YOUNGER
12 THAN I AM. WHEN I WAS A KID, WE HAD THESE OPTIONS, MANY OF
13 THEM FOR PUBLIC TRANSIT: THE RED CARS, THE STREET CARS. A LOT
14 OF FAMILIES I KNEW DIDN'T EVEN HAVE A CAR, OR THEY HAD A CAR
15 FOR THE BREADWINNER TO TAKE TO WORK AND THE REST OF US TOOK
16 THE BUS OR TOOK STREET CARS. SO I FEEL LIKE THIS IS KIND OF
17 BACK TO THE FUTURE, ESPECIALLY FOR LANDLOCKED FAMILIES LIKE
18 MINE. WE WERE NEAR THE COLISEUM, AND IT WAS NOT THAT EASY TO
19 GET TO THE BEACH. AND NOW IT'S IMPOSSIBLE BECAUSE PARKING IS
20 SO HIGH. AND SINCE WE OPENED THE EXPO LINE ON THE WEEKENDS, WE
21 HAVE 30, 35,000 PEOPLE COMING OUT TO THE BEACH, WHICH CREATES
22 ANOTHER KIND OF ISSUE. SO WE'RE PROBABLY GOING TO HAVE A BEACH
23 TROLLEY TO HELP PEOPLE SPREAD OUT AMONG THE VARIOUS BEACHES,
24 WHICH WILL ALSO, I THINK, BE GOOD FOR THE NEIGHBORING CITIES.
25 BUT IT IS A WILD SUCCESS. AND I'M VERY HAPPY TO SUPPORT THIS,



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1 BECAUSE I THINK PEOPLE REALLY OUGHT TO BE ABLE TO LIVE IN L.A.
2 WITHOUT A CAR. IT'S SO EXPENSIVE TO MAINTAIN A CAR, TO PARK A
3 CAR, TO GARAGE A CAR, AND TO GET EVERYBODY WHERE THEY NEED TO
4 GO IN A FAMILY. SO I'M VERY PROUD TO SUPPORT THIS AND HAPPY TO
5 HAVE BEEN ELECTED AT A TIME WHEN I COULD SUPPORT IT AND SEE
6 THIS KIND OF SORT OF MIRACULOUS TRANSPORTATION GROWTH IN L.A.
7 THANK YOU.

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9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. I WANT TO ALSO THANK THE
10 METRO BOARD STAFF AND OUR PREVIOUS CHAIRMAN, RIDLEY-THOMAS,
11 WHO HELPED US GUIDE THROUGH THIS TREMENDOUS EFFORT. AND I HAVE
12 TO SAY TO ALL THE PUBLIC THAT IS HERE, THIS HAS BEEN A REALLY
13 IMPORTANT GROUNDSWELL OF SUPPORT FROM, I THINK, AROUND THE
14 COUNTY. WHETHER YOU BELIEVE IN THIS MEASURE OR NOT, THERE HAS
15 BEEN PARTICIPATION. MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THERE HAVE BEEN
16 WELL OVER 50,000 PARTICIPANTS THAT CAME TO PUBLIC MEETINGS,
17 HEARINGS, TELECONFERENCES, THINGS THAT HAPPENED ALL AROUND OUR
18 DISTRICT, INCLUDING MINE, AS FAR OUT AS THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY
19 AND SOUTHEAST AREA AND EAST L.A. AND IT'S THE FIRST TIME THAT
20 I FEEL THAT METRO HAS REALLY TRIED TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE. AND I
21 THINK A LOT HAS TO DO WITH THE BOARD, THE MAKEUP OF THE BOARD.
22 THIS BOARD DEMANDED THAT WE START TO LOOK FROM THE BOTTOM UP,
23 AND WE WERE INCLUSIVE. WE HEARD MANY VOICES, BUT IT DIDN'T
24 NECESSARILY MEAN THAT A DOLLAR WAS GOING TO BE ATTACHED TO
25 EVERY SINGLE ITEM. IT'S IMPOSSIBLE. BUT WHAT I DO BELIEVE



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1 HAPPENED IS IT GAVE US THAT EFFORT AND IMPORTANCE OF TRYING TO
2 MAKE THIS WORK. AND WHILE THERE'S SOMETHING FOR, I THINK,
3 EVERY REGION, THAT'S WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT, TRYING TO HAVE A
4 BALANCE THERE. AND I KNOW THAT THIS DOCUMENT MAY NOT BE
5 PERFECT FOR SOME FOLKS, BUT I KNOW FOR MANY PEOPLE THAT I
6 REPRESENT IN MY OWN DISTRICT AND AROUND THE COUNTY, IT HAS
7 GIVEN US MORE FLEXIBILITY TO LOOK AT HOW WE EASE CONGESTION.
8 WE ADDRESSED OUR CARBON FOOTPRINT. WE ALSO CREATE OPEN SPACES,
9 BETTER TRANSPORTATION MODES, BOTH THROUGH BIKES, WALKING,
10 PEDALING, WHATEVER IT MIGHT BE. THESE ARE OPPORTUNITIES THAT
11 WE HAVEN'T SEEN IN MAYBE A LIFETIME. AND I THINK THAT WHAT'S
12 IMPORTANT IS THAT WE THINK ABOUT, AS WE MOVE FORWARD, THIS IS
13 OUR ECONOMIC STIMULUS PROGRAM FOR L.A. COUNTY. WE'RE NOT
14 WAITING FOR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. WE'RE NOT WAITING FOR THE
15 STATE. WE ARE TAKING IT UPON OURSELVES. AND THAT'S WHAT THE
16 DIFFERENCE IS HERE. AND THE VOTERS WILL MAKE THAT CHOICE. SO
17 MY OPINION HERE IS THAT IT WAS IMPORTANT TO GET THESE THINGS
18 ON RECORD SO THAT PEOPLE UNDERSTAND THE VALUE AND IMPORTANCE
19 OF HOW WE MOVE FORWARD HERE AND HOW THIS BOARD IS REALLY
20 TRYING TO WORK TOGETHER ALONGSIDE WITH OUR METRO AND WITH OUR
21 CITY, VARIOUS CITIES. AND I ALSO WANT TO RECOGNIZE THE MAYOR
22 OF LOS ANGELES, WHO ALSO SUBMITTED A LETTER OF SUPPORT,
23 TELLING US, ENCOURAGING US TO ALSO PLACE THIS ON THE BALLOT.
24 HE ALSO HAS EXPENDED A LOT OF TIME. AND I DO WANT TO SAY THAT
25 THIS LAST WEEK I HAD CONVERSATIONS WITH THE MAYOR OF LONG



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1 BEACH, GARCIA, MR. GARCIA, AND WAS VERY PLEASED TO HEAR FROM
2 HIS LIPS TO MY EARS THAT HE'S IN SUPPORT OF THIS MEASURE. AND
3 THAT'S A BOLD STEP FOR HIM TO TAKE REGARDING THE GATEWAY
4 C.O.G. OUT THERE THAT I UNDERSTAND HE'S A MEMBER OF BUT ARE
5 NOT, SOME ARE NOT AS FAVORABLE TO THIS MEASURE. I'M HOPING
6 THAT HE CAN HELP US MOVE THAT ALONG, AS WELL. BUT TODAY'S A
7 DAY FOR US TO BEGIN, I THINK, A HARD WORK PROCESS, BECAUSE,
8 REALLY, THE ULTIMATE GOAL IS TO REACH AFTER NOVEMBER, TO MAKE
9 SURE THAT IT WILL BE ON THE BALLOT BUT THAT IT GETS APPROVED.
10 AND THAT'S WHERE THE REAL WORK IS. I WANT TO THANK ALSO OUR
11 C.E.O. FOR METRO, MR. PHIL WASHINGTON, WHO I KNOW IS NOT HERE.
12 HE IS BACK IN AN IMPORTANT MEETING BACK EAST, I BELIEVE, AND
13 HAS SENT YOU, STEPHANIE WIGGINS, AND ALSO OUR CHAIR OF THE
14 METRO BOARD, MR. FASANO, WHO HAS BEEN ENGAGED IN THIS SINCE
15 THE FIRST MEASURE R CAME FORWARD MANY YEARS AGO, WHEN WE WERE
16 BOTH, I THINK, IN OPPOSITION AT THAT TIME BECAUSE WE WERE NOT
17 PLEASED WITH THE APPROACH THAT THEY TOOK. SO IT'S A BIG
18 DIFFERENCE. TIMES CHANGE. PEOPLE CHANGE. SO WITH THAT, IF
19 THERE'S NO OTHER COMMENTS, THEN WE HAVE THIS ITEM BEFORE US.
20 I'D LIKE TO MOVE, SECONDED BY KUEHL. AND IF THERE'S NO
21 OBJECTION, THEN SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER. CONGRATULATIONS,
22 FOLKS.

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24 **JOHN FASANA:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
25 [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. OUR NEXT ITEM IS A
3 PUBLIC HEARING ON ITEM 47. THIS SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL
4 COASTAL PROGRAM.

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6 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY ON
7 THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM BEFORE THIS
8 BOARD, PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN IN.
9 IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU
10 SOLEMNLY SWEAR TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH, AND NOTHING
11 BUT THE TRUTH, SO HELP YOU GOD?

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER WILL
14 PROCEED WITH READING THE MATTER BEFORE US. WE'LL ASK THAT YOU
15 EXIT AS QUIETLY AS POSSIBLE AS THE MEETING IS STILL IN
16 SESSION.

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18 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** THIS IS A HEARING ON PLAN AMENDMENT
19 NO. 2016- 000547 TO AMEND THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL
20 COASTAL PROGRAM IN THE UNINCORPORATED SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS
21 COASTAL ZONE IN THE MALIBU ZONE DISTRICT, TO CORRECT AND
22 UPDATE MAPS IN THE LAND USE PLAN AND LOCAL IMPLEMENTATION
23 PLAN, MAKE MINOR TEXT CHANGES AND MINOR TEXT AMENDMENTS TO
24 CORRECT OR CLARIFY POLICIES AND STANDARDS. THERE IS A
25 DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT AND CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. WE'LL HEAR FROM STAFF.

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4 **MAYA SARAF:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS MAYA SARAF,
5 AND AND I AM A PLANNER WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL
6 PLANNING. I AM HERE TODAY TO PROVIDE A SUMMARY OF AGENDA ITEM
7 NO. 47, PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS
8 LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM, AND ASK THAT YOU APPROVE THE
9 AMENDMENTS. THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM,
10 REFERRED TO AS THE L.C.P., REGULATES LAND USE IN THE COASTAL
11 ZONE OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. THE L.C.P. WAS ADOPTED IN
12 OCTOBER 2014. OVER THE PAST YEAR AND A HALF, AS THE COUNTY HAS
13 BEGUN TO IMPLEMENT THE L.C.P., SOME DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS HAVE
14 BEEN A CHALLENGE TO IMPLEMENT DUE TO LACK OF CLARITY, AND
15 SEVERAL PARCELS WERE FOUND TO CONTAIN INCORRECT ZONING. THE
16 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS WOULD ADDRESS THESE ISSUES THROUGH THREE
17 MAIN PARTS. THE FIRST PART CONSISTS OF ZONE CHANGES, INCLUDING
18 REZONING SEVERAL PARCELS THAT WERE ACQUIRED BY CONSERVATION
19 AGENCIES TO OPEN SPACE AND CORRECTING THE ZONING FOR SEVERAL
20 PRIVATELY OWNED PROPERTIES. THE SECOND PART OF THE AMENDMENT
21 IS A MINOR MAP CORRECTION. THE THIRD PART OF THE AMENDMENT
22 CONSISTS OF MINOR TEXT CHANGES TO THE LAND USE PLAN AND LOCAL
23 IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM. THE VAST MAJORITY OF THESE TEXT
24 CHANGES WOULD FIX MINOR TYPOS. A FEW MORE SUBSTANTIVE TEXT
25 CHANGES WOULD CLARIFY DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS RELATED TO



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1 BIOLOGICAL AND SCENIC RESOURCES. THE AMENDMENTS HAVE BEEN
2 VETTED BY COUNTY STAFF AND DISCUSSED WITH CALIFORNIA COASTAL
3 COMMISSION STAFF. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT ONE OF THE
4 PROPOSED ZONE CHANGES WAS BROUGHT TO REGIONAL PLANNING'S
5 ATTENTION. STAFF RESEARCHED THIS ISSUE IN CONJUNCTION WITH
6 COUNTY COUNSEL AND FOUND THAT A RECORDED SUBORDINATION
7 AGREEMENT REMOVED THE DEED RESTRICTIONS ON THE PROPERTIES WHEN
8 THE PRIOR OWNER DEFAULTED. THE AMENDMENTS WERE CONSIDERED BY
9 THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION ON MAY 25, 2016. AFTER
10 HEARING TESTIMONY, THE COMMISSION REQUESTED THAT ADDITIONAL
11 TEXT AND ZONE CHANGES BE INCLUDED IN THE AMENDMENT. THE
12 COMMISSION THEN CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTED 5-0 TO
13 RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENTS TO YOUR BOARD. SINCE THE
14 COMMISSION HEARING, ADDITIONAL MINOR CHANGES WERE DISCOVERED
15 THAT SHOULD BE ADDRESSED. THESE INCLUDE FOUR MORE PARCELS FOR
16 POSSIBLE ZONE CHANGES AND ADDITIONAL TEXT CHANGES, TO CORRECT
17 TYPOS, CLARIFY EXEMPTION REGULATIONS, AND STRENGTHEN
18 BIOLOGICAL RESOURCE PROTECTION. THE DETAILS OF THESE CHANGES
19 ARE INCLUDED IN THE PACKAGE THAT WAS SUBMITTED TO YOUR BOARD.
20 REGIONAL PLANNING RECOMMENDS THAT YOUR BOARD APPROVE THE
21 AMENDMENTS, WHICH WOULD MAKE L.C.P. IMPLEMENTATION AND PERMIT
22 REVIEW MORE CONSISTENT AND RELIABLE. ANY AMENDMENTS APPROVED
23 BY YOUR BOARD WOULD THEN BE FORWARDED ON TO THE COASTAL
24 COMMISSION FOR CONSIDERATION AND CERTIFICATION. THAT CONCLUDES
25 MY PRESENTATION. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE HEARD
3 FROM STAFF. WE NOW WILL HEAR FROM THE PUBLIC. THERE ARE FOUR
4 PERSONS WHO WILL BE ASKED TO COME FORWARD AT THIS POINT. THEY
5 ARE AS FOLLOWS: JOAN KAY, PATT HEALY, KIM LAMORIE, AND ROGER -
6 - ROGER? COME FORWARD, ROGER. PUGLIESE. THANK YOU SO MUCH.
7 PROFESSOR PUGLIESE. ALL RIGHT, IF THE FOUR OF YOU WILL COME
8 FORWARD, YOU WILL BE FOLLOWED BY SOME 14 OTHERS. I WILL ASK
9 THAT THEY PREPARE THEMSELVES. TOM BATES, AUSTIN PODRAT, RENE
10 OLVANDO, ERIC PREVIN, LAN CHA, ARNOLD SACHS, JOHN WALSH, PAUL
11 GRISANTI, GREG O'CONNOR, RYAN ANDERSON, PATTI ANDERSON, JOHN
12 ANDERSON, NORM HAYNIE, IN THAT ORDER, PLEASE. THE FLOOR IS
13 YOURS AT THE MICROPHONE. YOU HAVE TWO MINUTES EACH. PLEASE
14 PROCEED.

15

16 **JOAN KAY:** MY NAME IS JOAN KAY.

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MISS KAY, IF YOU WOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF
19 THE MICROPHONE RIGHT IN FRONT OF YOU SO THAT WE CAN HEAR YOU.
20 THERE YOU ARE. THANK YOU. PROCEED.

21

22 **JOAN KAY:** MY NAME IS JOAN KAY, AND I AM READING THE TESTIMONY
23 OF JOAN SLIMOCOSKY, VICE PRESIDENT OF THE MONTE NIDO VALLEY
24 COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THE FOLLOWING
25 AMENDMENTS TO THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL COASTAL



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1 PROGRAM. A, INCREASE PUBLIC NOTICING. IF THE CURRENT 1,000-
2 FOOT NOTICING RADIUS DOES NOT INCLUDE 15 MORE PARCELS OF REAL
3 -- 15 OR MORE PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY, THE RADIUS SHOULD BE
4 EXPANDED UNTIL THE OWNERS OF AT LEAST 15 PARCELS WILL BE
5 NOTIFIED. B, BETTER PROTECTION FOR OAK TREES. THERE MUST BE
6 HIGHER STANDARDS ADOPTED AND APPLIED FOR THE REMOVAL OF OAK
7 TREES UNDER THE FALSE PREMISE OF EMERGENCY SITUATIONS.
8 CERTAINLY THERE ARE SOME LEGITIMATE EMERGENCIES, BUT THE
9 CURRENT PROCESS ALLOWS FOR FAR TOO MUCH ABUSE, AND THIS NEEDS
10 TO BE RECTIFIED. C, ESTABLISH A FIVE-YEAR BAN ON DEVELOPMENT
11 PERMITS AS A DETERRENT TO ILLEGAL ACTIVITY. DEVELOPERS IN THE
12 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS HAVE A LONG HISTORY OF ILLEGAL
13 ACTIVITY, SUCH AS ILLEGAL GRADING AND ILLEGAL NATIVE TREE
14 REMOVAL. EACH DEVELOPER MUST KNOW AHEAD OF TIME HE FACES A
15 SEVERE PENALTY FOR DEVELOPMENT VIOLATIONS. EVEN AS WE SPEAK, A
16 MOVIE SET WITH A BIG DIRECTOR IS BEING BUILT IN MONTE NIDO.
17 MANY OLD OAK TREES WERE CUT DOWN BEFORE THE COMPANY WAS
18 DISCOVERED TO BE WITHOUT OAK TREE PERMITS. I UNDERSTAND THEY
19 NOW HAVE GOTTEN THE PERMITS, BUT IT IS TOO LATE FOR THE OAKS.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MA'AM. WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
22 YOUR TIME HAS EXPIRED, AND WE WOULD ASK THAT YOU SUBMIT YOUR
23 WRITTEN TESTIMONY FOR THE RECORD. WE'LL TAKE THE NEXT SPEAKER,
24 PLEASE. PROCEED, MA'AM.

25



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1 **PATT HEALY:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, I'M PATT HEALY SPEAKING ON
2 BEHALF OF THE MALIBU COALITION FOR SLOW GROWTH. SO-CALLED TUNA
3 CANYON PROPERTY UNDER A 2001 RECORDED DEED WAS DEED-RESTRICTED
4 IN PERPETUITY TO NATURAL OPEN SPACE. THE SUBORDINATION
5 AGREEMENT ONLY SECURED THE LIEN WHEN THE LIEN WAS SATISFIED.
6 THE SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT NO LONGER WAS IN EFFECT. HENCE,
7 THE CHANGE IN THE LAND-USE DESIGNATION FROM THE CURRENT L.C.P.
8 ZONING AS OPEN SPACE DEED- RESTRICTED TO RESIDENTIAL SHOULD
9 NOT BE APPROVED, BECAUSE THE CURRENT L.C.P. ZONING IS CORRECT.
10 UNLESS THERE'S A SUBSEQUENT RECORDED DOCUMENT EXPLICITLY
11 STATING THAT THE GRANT DEED OPEN SPACE RESTRICTION WAS
12 SUPERCEDED, THEN THE APPROVAL OF THE TUNA PROPERTIES ZONE
13 CHANGE CANNOT BE GRANTED TODAY. IF THE CURRENT ZONING IS STILL
14 IN QUESTION, THE MATTER MAY NEED FURTHER STUDY TO SEE IF THE
15 ZONE CHANGE IS APPROPRIATE. AND THIS IS ANOTHER REASON THE
16 ZONE CHANGE TO RESIDENTIAL SHOULD NOT BE APPROVED AT THIS
17 TIME. HOWEVER, IT IS CLEAR FROM THE PERTINENT DOCUMENTS THAT
18 THE CURRENT L.C.P. PROPERTY ZONING OF OPEN DEED RESTRICTED IS
19 CORRECT. SINCE THE PROPERTY UNDER THE RECORDED DEED WAS
20 RESTRICTED TO OPEN SPACE, THE COUNTY'S UNDERLYING RESIDENTIAL
21 ZONING DIDN'T APPLY TO THIS PARTICULAR PROPERTY. FURTHERMORE,
22 IT DOESN'T MATTER THAT THE COUNTY HAD NOT CHANGED THE
23 RESIDENTIAL ZONING BEFORE OR AT THE TIME THE CURRENT OWNER
24 PURCHASED THE PROPERTY IN 2008, SINCE THE RECORDED GRANT DEED
25 PUT ALL OWNERS AFTER 2001 ON NOTICE OF THE OPEN SPACE



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1 LIMITATION. WHEN THE 2014 LAND USE PLAN DESIGNATED THIS
2 PROPERTY OPEN SPACE DEED-RESTRICTED, THE COUNTY ONLY WAS JUST
3 MEMORIALIZING THE CORRECT ZONING FOR THIS PROPERTY. FOR THESE
4 REASONS, THE CURRENT PROPOSED ZONE CHANGE TO RESIDENTIAL IS
5 NOT APPROPRIATE, AND THIS PRISTINE PROPERTY SHOULD REMAIN AS
6 CURRENTLY DESIGNATED. ALSO FOR THE RECORD, WE SUPPORT THE
7 OTHER AMENDMENTS. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

10

11 **KIM LAMORIE:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, I'M KIM, PRESIDENT OF LAS
12 VIRGENES HOMEOWNERS FEDERATION, AND ON BEHALF OF OUR 10,000-
13 PLUS PROPERTY OWNERS, WE ASK YOU TO ADOPT A FIVE-YEAR BAN ON
14 ACQUIRING PERMITS AS A DETERRENT TO INTENTIONAL, ILLEGAL
15 DEVELOPMENT THAT VIOLATES OUR L.C.P. UNTIL WE HAVE TEETH
16 BEHIND ENFORCEMENT, A REAL CONSEQUENCE AND PENALTY FOR
17 DISREGARDING THE LAW, THE UNSCRUPULOUS WILL CONTINUE TO DO
18 IRREPARABLE DAMAGE TO OUR MOST PRECIOUS COASTAL RESOURCES,
19 WITH ILLEGAL GRADING, DUMPING, STREAM-BED ALTERATIONS, FILLING
20 IN OF BLUE LINE STREAMS AND PROHIBITED NATIVE TREE REMOVAL.
21 THIS IS NOT DIRECTED AT THE EVERYDAY PERSON WHO UNKNOWINGLY
22 MAKES A MISTAKE, BUT AT THE SPECULATORS THAT DELIBERATELY
23 IGNORE THE COASTAL ACT FOR GAIN. MAKE NO MISTAKE ABOUT IT,
24 THAT CULTURE PURPOSELY FLOUTS OUR LAWS AND TAKES THEIR
25 CHANCES. THE RISK IS ACCEPTABLE TO THEM, BECAUSE THEY DON'T



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1 PERCEIVE A DETERRENT PENALTY. THERE'S EVEN A NETWORK OF REPEAT
2 OFFENDERS, CERTAIN LAWYERS, EXPEDITERS, AND CONSTRUCTION
3 MANAGERS WHO ARE ADEPT AT CAPITALIZING ON, MANIPULATING, AND
4 GAMING THE SYSTEM. WE DON'T HAVE THE SAME HAMMER OR
5 DISINTENSIVE THE COASTAL COMMISSION DOES. CULPRITS AVOID
6 PERMIT REQUIREMENTS OR EXCEED PARAMETERS. THEY ILLEGALLY
7 GRADE, REMOVE TREES AND NATIVE H.1 HABITAT ON WEEKENDS AND
8 AFTER HOURS. 52,000 ACRES IS JUST TOO VAST OF AN AREA WITH
9 ISOLATED PARCELS AND LITTLE-TO-NO ACCESS IN REMOTE AREAS,
10 CREATING A PERFECT SCENARIO FOR ABUSE. AND WHY SHOULD LAW
11 BREAKERS BENEFIT OVER LAW ABIDERS? THAT'S CRAZY. WE CANNOT
12 REWARD CRIMINAL OR DISHONEST ACTIVITY. WITHOUT A SERIOUS
13 PREVENTITIVE NOW, THERE WILL BE MORE ACTIVITIES ON PROPERTIES
14 IN OUR L.C.P. AS DEVELOPMENT PRESSURE INCREASES. THE BAN IS A
15 PROVEN SUCCESSFUL DETERRENT IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS. UNLESS THE
16 INTENTION, OF COURSE, IS NOT TO ABIDE BY THE LAW, IT'S A
17 WIN/WIN FOR EVERYONE., FOR RESOURCE PRESERVATION, FOR
18 RESIDENTS CONSTANTLY INTIMIDATED BY ILLEGAL ACTIVITY, AND FOR
19 DEVELOPERS WHO ALMOST FOLLOW THE SAME RULES AND REGULATIONS
20 FAIR AND SQUARE. OTHERWISE, THE CONSEQUENCES ARE DIRE. THE
21 THREAT OF A FIVE-YEAR BAN ON PERMITS IS A POWERFUL INCENTIVE
22 TO OBEY THE LAW, AND WE RESPECTFULLY ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT.
23 THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** GO AHEAD. NEXT SPEAKER.



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1
2 **ROGER PUGLIESE:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS ROGER
3 PUGLIESE. I'M THE THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE LAS VIRGENES
4 HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION AND THE CHAIR OF THE TOPANGA
5 ASSOCIATION FOR SENIOR COMMUNITY. I'D LIKE TO INCREASE THE OAK
6 TREE AND OTHER NATIVE TREE PROTECTIONS, ADOPT A STRICTER AND
7 MORE CONSISTENT AND ENFORCEABLE POLICY, AN IMPLEMENTATION PLAN
8 FOR PROTECTING OAK TREES AND OTHER NATIVES LIKE SYCAMORE TREES
9 THAT CONTRIBUTE TO THE FUNCTION AND HABITAT OF VALUE IN THE
10 E.S.H.A. ESPECIALLY AND AT A MINIMUM, THERE SHOULD BE LESS
11 DISCRETION FOR OAK TREE REMOVALS UNDER THE GUISE OF EMERGENCY
12 SITUATIONS. WHILE WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THERE ARE LEGITIMATE
13 EMERGENCIES FROM TIME TO TIME, AS IT CURRENTLY STANDS, THERE
14 IS TOO MUCH ROOM FOR ABUSE AND IS BEING ABUSED. WE HAVE SEEN
15 MANY CASES WHERE THE STANDARDS FOR REMOVAL HAVE NOT BEEN MET.
16 IT MUST TRULY QUALIFY AS AN EMERGENCY SITUATION. OUR L.C.P.
17 PRIORITIZES RESOURCE PROTECTION OVER ALL ELSE, AND OUR
18 SWEEPING OAK GROVES, OAK TREES, AND OTHER NATIVE TREES NEED TO
19 BE BETTER PROTECTED AS IMPORTANT BIOLOGICAL, WATERSHED,
20 VISUAL, AND HISTORIC RESOURCES. THEY ARE A NECESSITY OF NATIVE
21 WILDLIFE HABITAT AND MAINTAINING A HEALTHY ECOSYSTEM. FURTHER,
22 BETTER PROTECTING NATIVE TREES HAS MULTIPLE BENEFITS, LIKE
23 INCREASING REAL PROPERTY VALUES BY PRESERVING AND ENHANCING
24 THE AESTHETIC QUALITIES OF OUR RURAL VILLAGES. WE WOULD LIKE
25 TO SEE A COMPREHENSIVE TREE PROTECTION POLICY AND



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1 IMPLEMENTATION STANDARD SECTION TO BE ADDED TO THE L.C.P. THAT
2 WOULD INCLUDE NATIVE TREES. ALL TREES THAT CONTRIBUTE TO
3 E.S.H.A. IN H.1 AND H.2, HISTORICAL AND HERITAGE TREES. THIS
4 WOULD ALSO BETTER REFLECT THE LEGAL REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH BY
5 THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL ACT AS WELL AS REGULATING AND BETTER
6 PROVIDING FOR BUTTERFLIES, BIRD ROOSTING, RAPTOR NESTING, AND
7 OTHER HABITAT PRESERVATION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER.

10

11 **PAUL GRISANTI:** HI, MY NAME IS PAUL GRISANTI. I'M AN
12 GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS DIRECTOR FOR THE MALIBU ASSOCIATION OF
13 REALTORS. AND WE HAVE SOME SERIOUS CONCERNS ABOUT THE WAY
14 THINGS HAVE CHANGED SINCE WE GOT RID OF THE COASTAL COMMISSION
15 AND YOU'VE TAKEN OVER. UNDER THE COASTAL COMMISSION AND THE
16 E.S.H.A. PROGRAM, THERE WAS A SAFETY NET FOR PARCELS THAT HAD
17 ALL E.S.H.A. TO ENABLE SOME USE TO BE MADE BY THE PROPERTY
18 OWNERS SO THAT THE COUNTY OR THE COASTAL COMMISSION DIDN'T END
19 UP PURCHASING THE LAND. UNFORTUNATELY WITH THE CHANGEOVER TO
20 THE H.1 SYSTEM AND THE SETBACKS FROM H.1, THERE ARE NO --
21 THERE IS NO SAFETY VALVE. SO -- AND I UNDERSTAND THAT WHEN
22 THIS WAS PASSED, THERE WAS A DISCUSSION THAT, WELL, THERE
23 COULD BE SOME COST IN THE FUTURE. OUR RECORDS THAT WE'VE
24 REVIEWED INDICATE THAT THERE'S OVER 850 LOTS THAT CANNOT
25 POSSIBLY MEET THE REQUIRED SETBACKS FROM H.1. AND I'D LIKE YOU



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1 TO TAKE A LOOK AT DOING SOMETHING TO PUT IN SOME OF THE SAFETY
2 VALVES THAT WERE IN THE COASTAL COMMISSION BEFORE. THANK YOU
3 VERY MUCH.

4

5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

6

7 **AUSTIN PODRAT:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS AUSTIN PODRAT. I'M A
8 LIFELONG RESIDENT OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. I WANT TO
9 START OFF BY SAYING I'M FULLY FOR EVERYTHING IN THE LAND USE
10 PLAN AND IN THE ENTIRE LOCAL PROGRAM, ALL FOR PROTECTION,
11 RESOURCES. I CRINGE EVERY TIME I SEE A NEW DRIVEWAY, EVERY
12 TIME I SEE A NEW HOUSE BUILT IN THE MOUNTAINS. HOWEVER, THERE
13 IS THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE THAT WAS JUST SPOKEN ON. THERE ARE
14 LITERALLY OVER 800 PARCELS WHERE PARCEL OWNERS ARE NOT ALLOWED
15 TO BUILD BECAUSE YOU'RE NOT EVEN ALLOWED TO FUEL MODIFY IN H.1
16 HABITAT. I PURCHASED THE PARCEL YEARS AGO. I'M ONE OF THOSE
17 OWNERS. MY WIFE AND I, I'M FROM THE MOUNTAINS. I WANTED TO
18 HAVE A FAMILY AND BUILD A HOUSE IN THE MOUNTAINS. MY WIFE AND
19 I PURCHASED THE PARCEL. IT'S 16 ACRES. AS STRANGE AS THIS
20 SOUNDS -- I'M EDUCATED. I'VE DONE THE WORK. I'VE GONE TO THE
21 PLANNING. I'VE HAD THE PARCEL MAPPED BY BIOLOGISTS. IT IS
22 UNBUILDABLE. THERE'S NOT A LOCATION ON THE 16 ACRES WHERE I
23 CAN BUILD MY HOUSE MORE THAN 200 FEET FROM THE H.1. I'M ALL
24 FOR PROTECTION OF H.1. I LOVE THE NATIVE GRASSLANDS AND THE
25 OAK GROVES AS MUCH AS ANYONE ELSE. HOWEVER, LIGHT FUEL



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1 MODIFICATION MUST BE ALLOWED IN SOME H.1 HABITAT. THIS IS A
2 MAJOR ISSUE. I KNOW THERE'S NOT 800 PEOPLE HERE DISCUSSING IT.
3 THEY HAVEN'T EVEN YET REALIZED IT. IT'S A 600-PAGE PLAN. THIS
4 IS VERY NUANCED. IT TAKES HIRING A BIOLOGIST, SPEAKING TO
5 PLANNING TO UNDERSTAND THIS. BUT THERE ARE PARCELS, AS MINE
6 IS, 16 ACRES, PURCHASED BEFORE THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN BUILDABLE
7 UNDER THE COASTAL COMMISSION THAT ARE NOW ABSOLUTELY
8 UNBUILDABLE. I CAN'T BUILD A SHED. I CAN'T BUILD ANYTHING THAT
9 REQUIRES FUEL MODIFICATION. I HAVE LAND OUTSIDE OF THE H.1,
10 BUT THE FUEL MOD, WHEN YOU ACCOUNT FOR 200 FEET MAKES IT
11 UNBUILDABLE. SO I JUST WISH THAT PLANNING COULD REVIEW THAT.
12 THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

15

16 **TOM BATES:** MADAME CHAIR, MY NAME IS TOM BATES. I'M A REALTOR,
17 BEEN A REALTOR IN THE AREA FOR 40 YEARS. I'VE ALSO BEEN A BILL
18 READER FOR THE CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS. THE H.1
19 HABITAT BASICALLY CONDEMNS LAND. THERE IS A BETTER WAY OF
20 DOING IT. IF YOU WERE TO ALLOW PEOPLE TO DEVELOP THEIR LAND
21 FOR ANY ENDANGERED PLANT OR RARE PLANT, I'VE PASSED OUT AN
22 INVENTORY BY THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE INDICATING THERE ARE NO
23 ENDANGERED SPECIES AND PLANTS IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS.
24 WE DO HAVE RED LEG FROG THAT IS BEING REHABILITATED AND THE
25 PARK SERVICE IS RESTOCKING HIS AREA. AS A BILL READER, YOU



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1 LOOK AT THE BILL. YOU LOOK AT THE GOAL. YOU LOOK AT THE
2 IMPLEMENTATION. AND HOPEFULLY YOU COULD COME OUT WITH A
3 SOLUTION MEETING THE GOAL, A SOLUTION THAT IS FAIR AND IS OF
4 BENEFIT TO EVERYONE. THIS SIMPLY DOES NOT DO THAT. THE WAY IT
5 IS LAID OUT, IT IS CONDEMNATION. IT IS CONDEMNATION WITH
6 BUFFERS UNDER DIMINUTION OF VALUE. YOU CAN'T USE IT. AGINS VS.
7 TIBURON, THE JUDGE SAID YOU HAVE TO BE ABLE TO DO MORE THAN
8 GROW GRASS ON YOUR PROPERTY. AND I'M A VETERAN. CAN I HAVE
9 ANOTHER MINUTE?

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SORRY.

12

13 **TOM BATES:** PLEASE? IT'S YOUR CALL.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** 10 SECONDS. GO ON. GO AHEAD.

16

17 **TOM BATES:** YEAH, OKAY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IF THE PROPERTY
18 OWNER IS REQUIRED TO PROPAGATE A RARE PLANT, ENDANGERED
19 SPECIES, WHATEVER, HE'S ALLOWED TO USE HIS PROPERTY. FUEL
20 MODIFICATION IS MOST IMPORTANT, AS WE LIVE IN A FIRE BRUSH
21 AREA. IF A MAN IS ABLE TO GO AHEAD AND USE HIS PROPERTY, AN
22 AVERAGE 2, 4,000 SQUARE-FOOT HOUSE IS GOING TO BE WORTH ABOUT
23 \$2 MILLION. THAT'S \$20,000 A YEAR IN TAXES. IF YOU HAVE A
24 THOUSAND LOTS, THAT'S \$20 MILLION A YEAR. IF YOU CAN USE THE



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1 LAND, YOU BENEFIT THE ECOSYSTEM BENEFITS, AND SO IT'S A
2 WIN/WIN SITUATION. I THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

3

4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YOU'RE WELCOME. NEXT SPEAKER.

5

6 **RENE OLVANDO:** MY NAME IS RENEE OLVANDO. I THANK YOU, HONORABLE
7 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK AND TO HEAR MY
8 PLEA. REGARDING PARCEL A.P.N. NO. 4457011002, IT IS LOCATED ON
9 KNOLL ROAD WITH MULTIPLE HOUSES NEXT TO IT. IT IS A VERY
10 ACTIVE AREA TO WHERE FIRE TRUCKS ARE ABLE TO TURN AROUND AND
11 TRASH CANS FROM THE OTHER HOUSES ARE THERE. IT HAD HOUSES ON
12 IT PREVIOUSLY MANY TIMES. IT WOULD NOT BE AGAINST THE L.C.P.
13 TO AMEND THE ZONING SO I COULD GET A BUILDING PERMIT FOR IT
14 FOR A SINGLE RESIDENCE. SINCE MY LAND IS PAID FOR, I WOULD
15 APPRECIATE AN AMENDMENT IN ORDER TO BUILD MY HOUSE THERE. I
16 SUPPORT CHANGES TO THE AMENDMENT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR
17 TIME.

18

19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU MUCH, SIR. NEXT SPEAKER?

20

21 **GREG O'CONNOR:** HI, MY NAME IS GREG O'CONNOR. AS A COUNTY
22 RESIDENT AND A FORMER CHAIR OF THE PLANNING AND LAND USE
23 COMMITTEE FOR NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL VALLEY VILLAGE AND A FRIEND
24 OF MULTIPLE PEOPLE LIVING IN OR PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN THE
25 L.U.P., I FEEL IT IS MY CIVIC DUTY TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF ALL



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1 CURRENT AND FUTURE INDIVIDUALS IMPACTED BY THE CURRENT
2 PROCESSING CLASSIFICATIONS. SIMPLY PUT, THERE SHOULD BE NO
3 PROCESS WITH SO MUCH AMBIGUITY AND SUBJECTIVITY. THE TAKING OF
4 RIGHTS FROM LAND OWNERS AND UNRELIABLE AND INCONSISTENT
5 INFORMATION FROM THE COUNTY AGENCIES THAT ARE IN PLACE TO
6 GUIDE THE PROCESS ARE NOT WORKING. I'M IN FULL SUPPORT OF
7 PRESERVATION OF NATIVE LANDSCAPE. HOWEVER RETROACTIVE
8 SELECTIVE AND PUNITIVE APPLICATION OF ZONES AND MAPPING THAT
9 IMPACT PROPERTY OWNERS AND FUTURE RESPONSIBLE DEVELOPMENT IS
10 DRACONIAN, OUTDATED, AND HIGHLY INEFFICIENT. I PERSONALLY KNOW
11 SEVERAL PEOPLE THAT HAVE WANTED TO FULFILL THEIR DREAM OF
12 LIVING WITHIN THE L.U.P. AND PUTTING THEIR LIFE SAVINGS AT
13 RISK AND IN THE HANDS OF INDIVIDUALS AND AGENCIES THAT HAVE
14 CONFLICTING AND INACCURATE INFORMATION. THE PROPERTY IS NOT
15 ELIGIBLE FOR DEVELOPMENT. AN OWNER OR POTENTIAL BUYER SHOULD
16 BE ABLE TO UNDERSTAND THIS WITH A SIMPLE VISIT TO A COUNTY
17 OFFICE OR WEBSITE. ADDITIONALLY, THE TAXPAYERS THAT ARE
18 IMPACTED SHOULD BE HEARD. TAXPAYERS AND WOULD-BE OWNERS THAT
19 ARE LOOKING TO DEVELOP OR BUILD RESPONSIBLY SHOULD BE AFFORDED
20 A FAIR AND EFFICIENT PROCESS. IF ANY OF YOU WERE TO MAKE A
21 VISIT TO A DOCTOR FOR A SCREENING AND WERE GIVEN INFORMATION
22 TANTAMOUNT TO ONE GETS FROM COUNTY PLANNING OFFICES, YOU WOULD
23 BE IRATE AND DEMAND -- YOU WOULD BE IRATE, AND, MORE
24 IMPORTANTLY, DEMAND AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A SECOND OR THIRD
25 OPINION. YOU'D ALSO HAVE THAT OPPORTUNITY. THERE'S NO OTHER



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1 OPTION WITHIN THE L.U.P. AND COUNTY. PLEASE DIRECT YOUR STAFF
2 TO ADDRESS THE SYSTEMATIC TAKING OF LAND OWNERS' RIGHTS IN A
3 TRANSPARENT AND OBJECTIVE MANNER. WHILE READING THE TWO
4 STATEMENTS THAT ARE PERMANENTLY ETCHED IN THE STONE ABOVE YOU,
5 IT'S CLEAR THAT THOSE TENETS ARE NOT BEING AFFORDED TO THE
6 CITIZENS OF THIS GREAT COUNTY. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER.

9

10 **NORM HAYNIE:** YEAH. OKAY. GOOD EVENING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
11 NORM HAYNIE, AND I'VE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH
12 GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS FOR THE LAST 40 YEARS. I'M IN SUPPORT OF
13 THE PROPOSAL THAT'S BEFORE YOU TODAY. AND I'M A STRONG
14 BELIEVER THAT IF DEVELOPERS AND ENVIRONMENTALISTS CAN WORK
15 TOGETHER, THEY CAN COME UP WITH A BETTER SOLUTION, A CREATIVE
16 SOLUTION, THAT WILL ALLOW THE MOST SENSITIVE ENVIRONMENTS TO
17 BE PROTECTED WHILE ALLOWING A REASONABLE USE OF ONE'S
18 PROPERTY. I HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH SUPERVISOR
19 SHEILA KUEHL, AND WITH HER HELP, I'VE BEEN ABLE TO PROTECT 25
20 LOTS ON THE BEACH IN MALIBU. THEY'RE NOW OWNED BY THE PUBLIC
21 AND THEY'RE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. WHY? BECAUSE WE FOUND A
22 CREATIVE SOLUTION. AND THROUGH THAT WORK, WE NOW HAVE PUBLIC
23 BEACHES. BY THE WAY, THOSE BEACHES HAVE FOUR DIFFERENT
24 ACCESSES TO GET TO AND WHEELCHAIR ACCESS AND SOON THERE WILL
25 BE BATHROOM FACILITIES. I ALSO WANT TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO



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1 THANK DIRECTOR RICHARD BRUCKNER. HE'S WORKED VERY HARD AT
2 TRYING TO IMPLEMENT A COMPLICATED AND DIFFICULT LOCAL COASTAL
3 PROGRAM INVOLVING THE LAND USE PLAN AND THE IMPLEMENTATION
4 PLAN. HOWEVER, HAVING SAID THOSE THINGS -- JESUS! OKAY.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** JUST FINISH YOUR THOUGHT. IT'S OKAY.

7

8 **NORM HAYNIE:** OKAY. I BELIEVE THAT THERE'S SOME CHANGES THAT
9 CAN BE MADE IN THE L.C.P. THAT WILL ALLOW THE PROTECTION OF
10 E.S.H.A. TO A MUCH GREATER EXTENT THAN HOW IT'S CURRENTLY
11 BEING PROTECTED AND PROVIDE PROPERTY OWNERS WITH A REASONABLE
12 USE OF THEIR LAND. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

15

16 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, ARNOLD SACHS. AND
17 I ACTUALLY WAS JUST GOING TO SPEAK ABOUT THE LAST LINE OF THIS
18 ITEM ON YOUR AGENDA. IT MENTIONED AMENDING A LOCAL COASTAL
19 PROGRAM IS FUNCTIONALLY EQUIVALENT TO THE PREPARATION OF AN
20 E.I.R. SO I WAS THINKING, WHAT ABOUT A LAND USE AMENDMENT,
21 LOCAL LAND USE REPORT, AMENDMENT TO A LOCAL LAND USE? WOULD
22 THAT BE THE EQUIVALENT OF A PREPARATION OF AN E.I.R. REPORT?
23 HOW ABOUT A HILLSIDE REPORT, AMENDING A LOCAL HILLSIDE
24 DESIGNATION? WOULD THAT BE FUNCTIONALLY EQUIVALENT TO
25 PREPARATION OF AN E.I.R.? WE HEAR A LOT OF DISCUSSION ABOUT



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1 HOW C.E.Q.A. HAS INTERFERED WITH DEVELOPMENT. SO E.I.R. IS
2 PART OF A C.E.Q.A. MOVEMENT. SO IF YOU COULD DO THAT, JUST
3 AMEND THE PROGRAM, YOU COULD PRETTY MUCH BYSTEP E.I.R. REPORT,
4 WHICH WOULD PRETTY MUCH EASE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR C.E.Q.A. AND
5 THEN I WAS LISTENING TO SOME PEOPLE TALK. SOME PEOPLE
6 MENTIONED 800 LOTS AND AMOUNT OF LOTS AND H.1 ZONING HABITAT.
7 AND SO THE OTHER TWO THINGS THAT CAUGHT MY EYE HERE, THIS IS
8 REFERRING TO 94 PARCELS, AND YOU'RE MAKING MINOR TEXT CHANGES
9 AND MINOR TEXT AMENDMENTS. IT DOESN'T SOUND TOO MINOR TO ME.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER?

12

13 **RYAN ANDERSON:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS RYAN ANDERSON AND I'M
14 A PROPERTY OWNER IN TOPANGA CANYON AND I'M SPEAKING IN BEHALF
15 OF THE L.C.P. AMENDMENTS. I'M FOR THOSE. MY MAIN CONCERN IS
16 THE H.1 HABITAT IMPACTING USE OF OUR FAMILY LAND. MY FAMILY'S
17 OWNED LAND SINCE THE 1930S. MY GRANDFATHER BOUGHT 10 ACRES OF
18 UNDEVELOPED LAND AND SINCE PASSED AWAY AND PASSED IT OUT TO
19 HIS CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN. UNFORTUNATELY, WITH THE H.1
20 DESIGNATION, THEY'RE PRETTY MUCH WITHIN THE RULES THAT IT
21 FALLS AS UNBUILDABLE, UNDEVELOPABLE, WHICH IS UNFORTUNATE BUT
22 UNDERSTANDABLE, BEING IT'S SENSITIVE NATURE. BUT MY MAIN
23 CONCERN IS THAT AS OUR FAMILY, WE'VE BEEN PAYING TAXES ON IT
24 FOR 70 YEARS AND WE'RE CONTINUING TO PAY \$8,000 A YEAR IN
25 PROPERTY TAXES ON THIS UNDEVELOPED LAND, WHICH IS NOW



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1 BASICALLY CONDEMNED OR UNBUILDABLE. SO IS THERE ANY, IN THIS
2 L.C.P., WILL THERE BE SOME RECTIFICATION FOR PROPERTY OWNERS
3 THAT NOW THEIR LAND IS UNBUILDABLE? THAT'S PART OF THE PASSED
4 THE LAW, BUT IS THERE ANY WAY TO MODIFY THEIR TAXES OR
5 COMPENSATE THEM FOR WHERE THEY CONTINUE PAYING FULL MARKET
6 RATE ON LAND THAT IS NOW BASICALLY UNUSABLE OR AS FAR AS
7 BUILDING DEVELOPMENT OR JUST CLEARING THE BRUSH OR THE GRASS
8 ON IT? THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. NEXT SPEAKER?

11

12 **PATTY ANDERSON:** HI, MY NAME IS PATTY ANDERSON, AND I'M ALSO A
13 PROPERTY OWNER AND PART OF THE FAMILY THAT RYAN REFERRED TO. I
14 MARRIED INTO THE FAMILY, AND MY SON JOHN, HIS GREAT-
15 GRANDFATHER MOVED UP THERE, AS RYAN SAID, IN THE 1930S. HE WAS
16 A FIREMAN. YOU KNOW, WE'VE ALL BEEN ABLE TO USE THE LAND AND
17 SOME OF THE LAND THAT'S BEEN PASSED DOWN TO OTHER FAMILY
18 MEMBERS IS NOW UNDER THIS H.1 ORDINANCE AND IT'S TAKING AWAY
19 DREAMS OF PEOPLE NOT BUILDING MCMANSIONS BUT JUST A LITTLE
20 COTTAGE IN THE WOODS SO THAT THEY CAN NOW RAISE THE NEXT
21 GENERATION. MY CHILDREN ARE FOURTH GENERATION CALIFORNIANS AND
22 ON OUR STREET, WE'RE SIXTH GENERATION CALIFORNIANS, NATIVE
23 CALIFORNIANS. AND, YOU KNOW, WE'VE LIVED HERE A LONG TIME. AND
24 JUST IF GRANDPA HARVEY HAD BUILT A COTTAGE UP THERE 40 YEARS
25 AGO, THEN IT WOULD BE FINE. EVERYBODY WOULD BE HAPPY. BUT NOW,



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1 BECAUSE THEY HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO AFFORD TO DO IT UNTIL NOW,
2 NOW THEY'RE NOT ABLE TO DO IT ANYMORE. IT JUST DOESN'T SEEM
3 FAIR AND WE CAN'T EVEN CLEAR THE PROPERTY AND THAT PUTS HIS
4 GRANDPARENTS' HOUSE AT THE TOP OF THE HILL IN DANGER, BECAUSE
5 WE DO LIVE IN A FIRE AREA AND THEY'RE NOT ABLE TO CLEAR THE
6 BRUSH. SO I HOPE THAT YOU CAN LOOK AT THIS AND MAYBE HAVE
7 POSSIBLE AMENDMENTS AND GO BACK TO MAYBE THE COASTAL
8 COMMISSION'S REGULATIONS. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

11

12 **JOHN ANDERSON:** HI, MY NAME IS JOHN ANDERSON. THANK YOU, MADAME
13 CHAIR AND THE BOARD OF COUNCIL FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK ON
14 THIS. I'VE LIVED FOR THE LAST 25 YEARS ON THE SAME STREET IN
15 MY NEIGHBORHOOD. I GREW UP HIKING AND PLAYING IN THE SANTA
16 MONICA MOUNTAINS, SPECIFICALLY TOPANGA CANYON STATE PARK. AND
17 I BELIEVE THAT WE SHOULD ZEALOUSLY PROTECT THE NATURAL
18 RESOURCES THAT THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS HAVE AFFORDED US.
19 BUT I ALSO BELIEVE THAT WE SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO USE PRIVATE
20 PARCELS THAT HAVE BEEN IN OUR FAMILY FOR MANY, MANY, MANY
21 GENERATIONS, NOT TO, AS MY MOTHER STATED, BUILD GIANT HOUSES
22 AND TRASH THE RESOURCES THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO US, BUT TO BE
23 ABLE TO LIVE WITHIN THE MEANS OF THE LAND AND ENJOY THE NATURE
24 AND THE BEAUTY THAT SURROUNDS US. AND HAVING THE LAND
25 CLASSIFIED AS H.1 PROPERTY WOULDN'T ALLOW US TO DO THAT OR



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1 EVEN BE ABLE TO PROTECT IT SHOULD A FIRE COME THROUGH. AND
2 BRUSH CLEARANCE IS VERY IMPORTANT IN PRESERVING THE LAND AS IT
3 IS AND PROTECTING THE NATURAL HABITAT THAT SURROUNDS US. THANK
4 YOU.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT WITNESS?

7

8 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES. GREETINGS IT'S ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD
9 DISTRICT, AND THIS HAS BEEN A LONG TIME COMING, THIS
10 PARTICULAR PROJECT. AND IT'S BEEN INTERESTING TO HEAR FROM THE
11 PUBLIC ABOUT THIS COASTAL PLAN AMENDMENT APPROVAL HAS BEEN A
12 LONG TIME COMING, I MEANT. YOU KNOW, YOU LISTEN TO THE PEOPLE,
13 AND YOU HEAR THAT THERE ARE POTENTIALLY 800 LOTS, SUPERVISOR
14 SOLIS, THAT, AS YOU KNOW, MAY LOSE SOME OF THEIR STANDING TO
15 DO ANYTHING ON THAT PROPERTY. THAT IS WORRISOME. I KNOW
16 BRUCKNER WILL ADDRESS THAT. THE YELP RATING IS NOT GOING GREAT
17 FOR BRUCKNER TODAY, BECAUSE THAT GUY FROM VALUE VILLAGE MADE
18 THE POINT ABOUT DEALING WITH THE REGIONAL PLANNING GROUP AND
19 HOW, YOU KNOW, ORDINARILY DEAL WITH A DOCTOR, IT'S PRETTY
20 CLEAR YOU GET A POINT OF VIEW. BUT PEOPLE HAVE HAD SOME
21 FRUSTRATIONS. SO I THINK WE HAVE TO LOOK INTO THAT TO BE FAIR.
22 EVERYBODY IS BUSY CONGRATULATING BRUCKNER, INCLUDING ME 90
23 PERCENT OF THE TIME, BUT LET'S MAKE SURE THAT THE SERVICES WE
24 ARE OFFERING ARE CLEAR AND DILIGENT. I MEAN, I KNOW YOU'RE
25 DOING A GREAT JOB, SIR. I WAS A LITTLE BIT CONCERNED ABOUT THE



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1 GUY WHO HAD A BUNCH OF PROPERTIES IN ONE AREA THAT ARE WORTH
2 ABOUT \$350,000. HE CAN'T DO ANYTHING WITH THEM. AND HE HAS TO
3 CONTINUE TO PAY ON IT. IT MADE ME THINK, HMM, THAT'S ODD. NOW
4 HISTORICALLY, OF COURSE, WE'VE HEARD FROM THE GUYS IN THE WINE
5 AREA WHO ARE DECENT PEOPLE TRYING TO DO AND COMPLY WITH THE
6 LAW JUST LIKE THEY DID AT THAT GOLF RETREAT THAT KNABE AND
7 YAROSLAVSKY SUPPORTED, TO DO IT RIGHT AND DO IT HONEST AND
8 CLEAN AND ENVIRONMENT PROTECT, BUT NONE OF THAT WAS APPROVED
9 BY THIS BODY AND IN THIS GROUP AND THAT WAS UPSETTING. AND
10 THEN THE HORSE PEOPLE CAME UP WITH THEIR PROBLEMS AND THEY GOT
11 A LITTLE BIT OF LOVE. I DON'T KNOW IF THEY GOT ALL THE LOVE
12 THEY NEEDED. BUT THIS IS A TOUGH BUSINESS, AND I APPRECIATE
13 EVERYBODY PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT, BECAUSE WE ALL ARE
14 PARTNERS IN BEING A PART OF THIS GREAT COUNTY IN THAT
15 NEIGHBORHOOD. THANKS.

16
17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER?

18
19 **JOHN WALSH:** HI, MY NAME IS JOHN WALSH, AND MOST EVERYBODY HAS
20 EXPRESSED MY SENTIMENTS. BUT I'M ALSO A PROPERTY OWNER IN THE
21 AREA UP OFF OF KANAN, AND I'VE HAD THE PROPERTY, AS I SAID,
22 FOR 30 YEARS. AND JUST WHEN I WAS GOING TO ACTUALLY TREAT MY
23 DAUGHTER TO BUILDING A HOME UP THERE AS SHE'S GETTING READY TO
24 GRADUATE FROM NATUROPATHIC COLLEGE AND OPEN A PRACTICE IN WEST
25 L.A. AREA, NOW YOU'VE KIND OF BLOWN MY DREAMS. BUT AT THIS



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1 POINT, I'D BE HAPPY TO GET COMPENSATION FOR MY PROPERTY. THIS
2 THING RENDERS MY PROPERTY ABSOLUTELY USELESS. AND I FEEL MY
3 CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS HAVE BEEN TRAMPLED ON, MY FRIENDS, AND
4 THAT'S KIND OF IT. EVERYBODY ELSE HAS EXPRESSED THE OTHER
5 PARTS OF THE ISSUES. I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE DOING. BELIEVE
6 IT OR NOT, I'M AN ENVIRONMENTALIST, TOO, AND I APPRECIATE AND
7 RESPECT THE ENVIRONMENT. BUT SURELY THERE'S A WAY THAT, AS THE
8 GENTLEMAN OVER HERE JUST SAID, THAT WE CAN BE ACCOMMODATED
9 UNDER WHAT'S GOING ON HERE IN THE GREAT, VAST SANTA MONICA
10 MOUNTAINS.

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

13

14 **JOE ANDERSON:** HELLO. MY NAME IS JOE ANDERSON, AND I WILL BE
15 DONATING MY TIME TO DON SCHMITZ.

16

17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. VERY GOOD. GO AHEAD, SIR.

18

19 **DON SCHMITZ:** CHAIR, SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS DON SCHMITZ. I'M
20 HERE ON BEHALF OF MANY PROPERTY OWNERS. I WANT TO GET YOUR
21 ATTENTION. I WANT TO GIVE YOU A NUMBER. A QUARTER OF A BILLION
22 DOLLARS. \$250 MILLION, CONSERVATIVELY. YOU'VE HEARD TESTIMONY
23 IN REGARDS TO H.1, THE H.1 HABITAT CLASSIFICATION. YOU WERE
24 NOT ALLOWED TO DO ANYTHING IN H.1 IN THE SANTA MONICA
25 MOUNTAINS UNDER THE LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM EXCEPT BUILD YOUR



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1 ACCESS ROAD. AS PRESENTLY INTERPRETED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
2 REGIONAL PLANNING STAFF, THIS INCLUDES THE REQUISITE FUEL
3 MODIFICATION, THE 200-FOOT OF BRUSH CLEARANCE THAT LOS ANGELES
4 COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT REQUIRES TO BUILD A HOME. AN 800
5 SQUARE-FOOT HOME, AN 8,000 SQUARE-FOOT HOME, IT DOESN'T
6 MATTER. YOU MUST HAVE THAT BRUSH CLEARANCE OR YOU CANNOT BUILD
7 A HOME. THE NUMBER I GAVE YOU COMES FROM YOUR G.I.S. MAPS WITH
8 THE H.1 HABITAT CLASSIFICATIONS. WE HAVE IDENTIFIED OVER 850
9 PARCELS THAT DO NOT HAVE A BUILDING SITE LOCATED AT LEAST 200-
10 FOOT FROM THE MAP H.1 HABITAT AREAS. IF YOU CANNOT SET A HOUSE
11 BACK 200 FEET FROM H.1 HABITAT, YOU CANNOT BUILD. AND AT THE
12 HIGHEST LEVELS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING STAFF,
13 THAT HAS BEEN MEMORIALIZED TO US IN WRITING. NOW, THIS IS THE
14 PLAN THAT WE HAVE RIGHT NOW, AND IT'S A TRAIN WRECK COMING.
15 OH, AND BY THE WAY, THOSE 850 PARCELS DO NOT INCLUDE
16 ADDITIONAL PROPERTIES WHERE, BASED UPON AN INDIVIDUAL
17 BIOLOGICAL REPORT THAT AN APPLICANT WOULD SUBMIT, THE H.1
18 HABITAT WOULD BE EXPANDED, WHICH IT HAS DONE IN MANY PLACES.
19 IN FACT, IF YOU HAVE A BOULDER THAT HAS LICHEN IN CERTAIN
20 SPECIES GROWING ON IT, A BOULDER, THAT'S H.1 HABITAT. NOW,
21 THIS IS NOT A PLACE THAT EVEN THE CALIFORNIA COASTAL
22 COMMISSION WOULD GO. THEY CAN READ THE LAW. YOU ARE LAWMAKERS.
23 YOU UNDERSTAND THAT WE CAN HAVE STRICT ENVIRONMENTAL
24 REGULATION AND STILL HAVE LAWFUL DOCUMENTS. WE CAN ABIDE BY
25 THE CONSTITUTION. AND THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT SAID IN



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1 THE LUCAS CASE SAID THAT YOU CANNOT DENY SOMEBODY THE USE OF
2 AT LEAST A HOUSE ON A LEGAL PARCEL. WHEN THIS PLAN WAS BEING
3 ADOPTED, THE TESTIMONY WAS THAT IT WAS GOING TO COST THE
4 COUNTY ABOUT \$2 MILLION OVER 10 YEARS TO BUY UP PROPERTIES
5 THAT WERE UNDEVELOPPABLE PURSUANT TO THE PLAN. IT'S NOT THE
6 CASE. \$250 MILLION, 850 PROPERTIES AND COUNTING. YOU MUST FIND
7 A PRESSURE RELEASE VALVE TO ALLOW, WITH A VARIANCE AND STRICT
8 REGULATION, SOME LEVEL OF DEVELOPMENT. AND WE URGE YOU TO
9 DIRECT YOUR STAFF TO PROCESS THAT AMENDMENT. THANK YOU.

10 [APPLAUSE.]

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WE HAVE LAN CHA, I BELIEVE
13 HAS BEEN CALLED AND I'M CALLING AGAIN. LAN CHA? OKAY, WITH
14 THAT, I BELIEVE THAT CONCLUDES THE SPEAKERS. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

15

16 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. THANK YOU SO MUCH
17 TO ALL THE PEOPLE WHO CAME TO TESTIFY, THE REPRESENTATIVES OF
18 ORGANIZATIONS, THOSE WHO LIVE IN THE MOUNTAINS, THOSE WHO OWN
19 PROPERTY. THE COUNTY'S BEEN REGULATING DEVELOPMENT IN THE
20 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS USING THE L.C.P. FOR ALMOST TWO YEARS
21 NOW. THE RESTRICTIONS SPOKEN ABOUT BY HOMEOWNERS TESTIFYING
22 NEAR THE END OF OUR TIME HERE WERE ALL IN THE ORIGINAL L.C.P.
23 THE COMPLAINT IS THAT WE DIDN'T AMEND IT TO LOOSEN IT UP FOR
24 THEM, NOT THAT THESE AMENDMENTS MAKE CHANGES THAT IMPOSE
25 GREATER LIMITATIONS. SO I WANTED TO CLARIFY THAT. IT'S, OF



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1 COURSE, BEEN A LEARNING PROCESS ON THE L.C.P. THE AMENDMENTS
2 WE ARE PRESENTING REPRESENT A BALANCED APPROACH TO REGULATION.
3 I THINK THE HOMEOWNERS KNOW THAT THERE IS A WAY TO PROVE THAT
4 THEY DON'T HAVE THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE
5 VEGETATION ON THE PROPERTY. AND IF THAT'S PROVEN, THEN
6 BUILDING IS ALLOWED. BUT THE CONSTITUTION, IT SHOULD BE
7 POINTED OUT, DOES GIVE GOVERNMENTS THE ABILITY TO MAKE
8 REASONABLE REGULATIONS ALL THE WAY FROM ZONING TO THESE KINDS
9 OF ISSUES. THE DEPARTMENT IS PROPOSING IN THESE AMENDMENTS TO
10 EASE SOME REGULATIONS IN LIMITED CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE THERE ARE
11 COMPELLING REASONS. IT'S ALSO ADDING SOME NEW FEES TO ALLOW --
12 WHENEVER WE SAY "ADD NEW FEES" IT SOUNDS LIKE WE'RE ADDING
13 MORE MONEY, BUT IN THIS CASE WE'RE REDUCING THE FEES. THE
14 AMENDMENTS IN THE MOTION THAT I'M GOING TO READ WILL GIVE THE
15 DEPARTMENT MORE RESOURCES TO ENFORCE REGULATIONS. AND I'D VERY
16 MUCH LIKE TO THANK ALL THOSE WHO CAME TO TESTIFY. I'M
17 PREPARED, OF COURSE, TO READ THIS AT THE CLOSE OF ALL THE
18 REMARKS.

19
20 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** AT THIS TIME, MADAME CHAIR, IT
21 WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING.

22
23 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU. SO, I MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF
24 SUPERVISORS TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS RELATED TO THE SANTA
25 MONICA MOUNTAINS LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM. 1) CLOSE THE PUBLIC



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1 HEARING, INDICATE THE INTENT TO APPROVE PLAN AMENDMENT NO.
2 2016-000-547-3 AND ZONE CHANGE NUMBER 2016-000-527 AS
3 RECOMMENDED BY STAFF AND THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION WITH
4 THE FOLLOWING CHANGES: A) INCLUDE A PROVISION WHICH WOULD
5 ALLOW THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING TO
6 REFER A CASE TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION FOR A PUBLIC
7 HEARING TO CONSIDER A FIVE-YEAR BAN ON FILING ANY APPLICATION
8 ANYTIME THERE IS A CEASE AND DESIST ORDER, A NOTICE OF
9 VIOLATION, OR AN ACTION TO REVOKE A PERMIT. B) REVISE SECTION
10 22.44.950.C.2 RELATED TO EMERGENCY OAK TREE PERMITS TO READ,
11 QUOTE, "CASE OF EMERGENCY CAUSED BY AN OAK TREE WITHIN 200
12 FEET OF A STRUCTURE OR OTHER IMPROVEMENT BEING IN A HAZARDOUS
13 OR DANGEROUS CONDITION OR ON A VACANT PARCEL OF LAND BEING A
14 THREAT TO THE SAFETY OF PUBLIC PROPERTY OR UTILITIES OR BEING
15 IRRETRIEVABLY DAMAGED OR DESTROYED THROUGH A NATURAL DISASTER
16 SUCH AS FLOOD, FIRE, WIND, OR LIGHTNING, AS DETERMINED AFTER
17 USUAL INSPECTION BY A LICENSED FORESTER WITH THE COUNTY FIRE
18 DEPARTMENT FORESTRY DIVISION WHERE THE CONTINUING PRESENCE OF
19 THE TREE IS AN IMMEDIATE DANGER TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY. THE
20 DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING MAY CONSIDER
21 OTHER CASES OF EMERGENCY ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS. C) REZONE
22 PARCELS 4461-004-904, 4461-004-905, AND 4472-003-904, OWNED BY
23 THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE R.C.40 TO O.S.P. D) REZONE PARCELS
24 4465-004-911, 4465-004-912, 4465-004-913, 4471-020-913 AND
25 4471-023-907 OWNED BY THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE FROM R.C.20 TO



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1 O.S.P. REZONE PARCELS 4471-029-004 AND 4472-009-900 OWNED BY
2 THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE FROM O.S.P. AND I.T. TO O.S.P. F)
3 REVISE SECTIONS 224970.C, 2244990.A, AND 2244840.K RELATED TO
4 PUBLIC NOTICING TO REQUIRE THAT IF THE CURRENT 1,000-FOOT
5 RADIUS DOES NOT INCLUDE A MINIMUM OF 15 PARCELS OF REAL
6 PROPERTY, THE RADIUS SHALL BE EXPANDED UNTIL THE OWNERS AND
7 RESIDENTS OF AT LEAST 15 PARCELS WILL BE NOTIFIED. G) DIRECT
8 THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING AND COUNTY COUNSEL TO
9 FURTHER INVESTIGATE TITLE ON THE 7 PARCELS ON TUNA CANYON IN
10 QUESTION AND REPORT TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION ANY
11 ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS BASED UPON SUCH INVESTIGATION. 2)
12 REFER THE CHANGES ABOVE TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
13 FOR CONSIDERATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS TO DETERMINE
14 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS, IF ANY, AT THEIR NEXT AVAILABLE
15 MEETING. AND, 3) INSTRUCT COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE FINAL
16 ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM
17 AND BRING IT BACK TO THE BOARD FOR CONSIDERATION. THAT'S THE
18 MOTION.

19
20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ADOPT THE AMENDMENT AS PRESENTED IF
21 THERE'S NO OBJECTION? NONE. OKAY. SO WE MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
22 KUEHL. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER.
23 THANK YOU. THANK YOU, AUDIENCE, FOR ATTENDING AND SPEAKING ON
24 THIS ITEM. WE HAVE ITEM NO. 2, WHICH IS MY ITEM, AND IT'S
25 REGARDING THE L.E.A.D. MOTION. AND I WANT TO STATE THAT I'M



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1 PROUD TO HAVE INTRODUCED THIS MOTION, AND THIS HAS BEEN
2 COAUTHORED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. THE L.E.A.D. PROGRAM
3 ORIGINATED IN SEATTLE AND IN MY OPINION HAS SHOWN GREAT
4 PROMISE AND I BELIEVE IT'S SOMETHING THAT LOS ANGELES COUNTY
5 SHOULD NOW BEGIN TO EXPLORE. THERE'S ALREADY BEEN A TREMENDOUS
6 AMOUNT OF GROUNDWORK LAID IN THIS AREA BY GROUPS LIKE DRUG
7 POLICY ALLIANCE AND CENTINELA YOUTH SERVICES AND THE L.A.P.D.
8 WE'LL BE HEARING FROM SOME REPRESENTATIVES OF THESE
9 ORGANIZATIONS SHORTLY, AND I WANT TO CONGRATULATE AND THANK
10 THEM FOR THE WORK THAT THEY HAVE DONE THUS FAR. COUNTY EFFORTS
11 SHOULD CONTINUE WITH AND BUILD ON THE EFFORTS THAT HAVE
12 ALREADY BEEN UNDERTAKEN BY THE COUNTY. AND I DO WANT TO
13 PARTICULARLY ENCOURAGE THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO INVEST IN
14 LEARNING ABOUT THE PROGRAM AND ALSO TO INCORPORATE ITS
15 PRINCIPLES INTO THEIR DAILY LIVES. ONE OF THE STUDIES
16 MENTIONED IN THE MOTION FOUND THAT THE LEAD INTERVENTION
17 CAUSED AN INDIVIDUAL TO BE 58 PERCENT LESS LIKELY TO BE
18 ARRESTED THAN THE TRADITIONAL BOOKING, ADJUDICATION, AND
19 SENTENCING PROCESS. TO ME, THAT NOT ONLY SOUNDS THAT WE SHOULD
20 EXPLORE L.E.A.D. BUT ALSO THAT OUR STANDARD WAY OF WORKING MAY
21 NOT BE RIGHT FOR OTHER INNOVATIONS. SO I ENCOURAGE THE
22 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO FOCUS ON NEW STRATEGIES USING THESE
23 TOOLS THEY ALREADY HAVE AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT PUBLIC SAFETY.
24 I'D LIKE TO TO SEE THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY-BASED PROGRAM
25 ACHIEVE NATIONAL RECOGNITION AS SEATTLE'S L.E.A.D. PROGRAM HAS



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1 DONE. I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE ARE SOME FRIENDLY AMENDMENTS
2 THAT ARE BEING OFFERED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, I DON'T HAVE
3 ANY OBJECTION TO THOSE. AUTHOR, COAUTHOR, DO YOU WANT TO MAKE
4 ANY COMMENTS?

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES, MADAME CHAIR, IF YOU WOULD, MOVE THE
7 ITEM. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOU HAVE AN AMENDMENT?

8

9 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** MADAME CHAIR, I MOVE THAT THE BOARD
10 DIRECT THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVERSION REENTRY WORK IN
11 COLLABORATION WITH RELEVANT COUNTY PARTNERS TO EVALUATE THE
12 EFFICIENCY OF THE EXISTING DIVERSION PROGRAMS INCLUDED IN THE
13 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S MAY 4TH REPORT TITLED "INVENTORY OF
14 COUNTYWIDE DIVERSION PROGRAMS" AND PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS IN
15 90 DAYS, INCLUDING RELOCATION OF EXISTING RESOURCES TO
16 IMPLEMENT, EXPAND OR ENHANCE PROGRAMS FOR THE PROVEN
17 EFFECTIVENESS OF REDUCING RECIDIVISM.

18

19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. I DON'T HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR
20 OBJECTION TO ADOPTING THAT. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

21

22 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** WITH APOLOGIES, I THINK I DO. THE MOTION, I
23 MEAN, THE ORIGINAL MOTION WAS SIMPLY SO THAT WE COULD PREPARE
24 AN APPLICATION TO GET SOME GRANT FUNDING AND TO EXPAND ON THE
25 PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, BUT IT'S AN APPLICATION FOR A GRANT.



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1 THIS AMENDMENT IS A REQUEST FOR A REPORT BACK ON THE EFFICACY
2 OF ALL THE DIVERSION PROGRAMS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW TO
3 REALLOCATE EXISTING RESOURCES. IT SEEMS LIKE VERY DIFFERENT. I
4 DO UNDERSTAND A REPORTBACK. I MEAN, IT JUST SEEMS LIKE A
5 GREAT, A HUGE EXPANSION OF THIS MOTION AND MIGHT DO BETTER AS
6 ITS OWN MOTION MAYBE NEXT WEEK, SO THAT WE WOULD HAVE SOME
7 TIME TO THINK ABOUT WHETHER IT'S DUPLICATING OTHER MOTIONS
8 THAT WE'VE MADE TO ASK FOR REPORT BACKS ON DIVERSION? I HAVE
9 NO OBJECTION TO THE SUBSTANCE OF IT, BUT IT'S JUST SO MUCH
10 BIGGER AND DIFFERENT FROM THE MOTION IT LOOKS TO AMEND THAT I
11 THINK I PERSONALLY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A WEEK TO SEE WHAT WE'RE
12 ALREADY DOING IN TERMS OF REPORT BACKS ON DIVERSION THAT WE
13 ALREADY ASKED FOR, BECAUSE I DON'T HAVE THAT IN FRONT OF ME.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I AM JUST LOOKING AT THIS RIGHT NOW.
16 MY STAFF DIDN'T FULLY INFORM ME ABOUT THE RAMIFICATIONS THAT
17 YOU'RE RAISING. SO, IF IT'S POSSIBLE, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH,
18 WHILE I DON'T DISAGREE THAT WE NEED TO DO THIS, I THINK WE
19 SHOULD DO IT, CAN WE MAYBE PUT IT OFF FOR A WEEK TO BRING IT
20 BACK AS A SEPARATE ITEM? THE AMENDMENT. I MEAN, BECAUSE I
21 THINK WE'RE APPLYING FOR MONEY, AND THAT'S IMPORTANT, RIGHT?

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** RIGHT, I MEAN, BUT APPROVE THE EXISTING MOTION AND
24 THEN BRING THE AMENDMENT BACK?

25



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1 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** WELL, AS A SEPARATE MOTION, BECAUSE IT
2 SEEMS TO BE MUCH BIGGER.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR, THEN IT WOULDN'T BE AN
5 AMENDMENT. IT IS THOUGHT TO BE DIVERGENT FROM THE THRUST OF
6 THE CURRENT MOTION. TO THE EXTENT THAT IS MERITORIOUS, IT HAS
7 ITS OWN STANDING, WHICH CAN THEN BE BROUGHT IN AS A READ-IN,
8 IF THE SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH IS SO INCLINED.

9

10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THAT'S FINE.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** BUT THAT'S A DIFFERENT PLAY THAN WHAT'S
13 ESSENTIALLY HAPPENING HERE. BOTH CAN HAPPEN, BUT THEY ARE
14 DISTINCT ATTRACTS, IS, I THINK, THE POINT.

15

16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR THAT CLARIFICATION. IS
17 THAT ACCEPTABLE TO YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

18

19 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** WHAT I WOULD DO WOULD BE ABSTAINING
20 ON THE MOTION AND THEN HAVE THE MOTION THAT'S FOR NEXT WEEK ON
21 THE AGENDA.

22

23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY.

24



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1 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** I'M SUPPORTING THAT, THEN LOOK
2 FORWARD TO THE MOTION THAT I ASSUME WILL HAVE THREE VOTES
3 TODAY.

4

5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** I UNDERSTAND THE TWO SEPARATE TRACKS, BUT IF YOU
8 APPROVED ONE TODAY AND THEN DEAL WITH THE OTHER ONE, ISN'T
9 THAT A LITTLE LATE IF YOU WANT TO REVIEW?

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO, BECAUSE THE WAY I READ SUPERVISOR
12 ANTONOVICH'S MOTION, IT'S MUCH MORE COMPREHENSIVE IN TERMS OF
13 WHAT IT'S SEEKING TO ACCOMPLISH IN TERMS OF DIVERSION AND THE
14 RANGE OF IMPLICATIONS THAT IT SETS FORTH. THE SOLIS-RIDLEY-
15 THOMAS MOTION IS ESSENTIALLY TO APPLY FOR A GRANT, GRANT FUNDS
16 FOR THIS PILOT LAW ENFORCEMENT-ASSISTED DIVERSION. THAT'S THE
17 DISTINCTION. I THINK BOTH CAN HAPPEN. BUT THE QUESTION IS IT
18 IS NOT COMPATIBLE IN TERMS OF AN AMENDMENT. IT IS A STAND-
19 ALONE ISSUE THAT CAN BE SUPPORTED ON ITS OWN MERIT.

20

21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** AND I WOULD JUST ADD THAT IN THE LAST
22 SENTENCE OF THIS AMENDMENT THAT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HAS, IT
23 SAYS IN 90 DAYS, INCLUDING RE-ALLOCATION OF EXISTING
24 RESOURCES. THAT'S WHERE I THINK WHERE THE COMPLICATION IS,
25 BECAUSE THAT DOES IMPLY A FAR GREATER NUMBER OF OTHER



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1 RESOURCES THAT ARE BEING APPLIED TO THIS OVERALL SUBJECT AREA.
2 SO WE'LL TAKE MORE TIME. AND I THINK IT DOES TAKE AWAY FROM
3 THE FACT THAT WE'RE JUST APPLYING FOR THIS GRANT RIGHT NOW. IT
4 DOESN'T TAKE AWAY OR MINIMIZE IT. I THINK IT'S RIGHT TO DO,
5 BUT WE CAN HOLD OFF.

6

7 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I THINK THE EXISTING MOTION TODAY IS JUST
8 TO APPLY FOR A GRANT IN GOVERNMENT FOR DIVERSION MONEY. THE
9 PROPOSED AMENDMENT, WHICH I THINK STANDS ALONE VERY WELL BUT
10 I'D RATHER HAVE A WEEK TO SEE WHAT WE'RE ALREADY DOING, ASK
11 FOR A COMPLETE EVALUATION OF EXISTING RESOURCES, EXISTING
12 PROGRAMS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW WE MIGHT HELP CHANGE
13 EXISTING RESOURCES IN THE WAY THEY'RE ALLOCATED. IT DOES SEEM
14 LIKE REAL DIFFERENT TO ME.

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16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MOVE THE ITEM, MADAME CHAIR.

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18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NO FURTHER AMENDMENTS. OKAY, GREAT.
19 BEFORE WE VOTE ON THIS, WE DO HAVE SEVERAL SPEAKERS. WE HAVE
20 EUNISSES HERNANDEZ, MARK FAUCETTE, MARIA ALEXANDER, ARNOLD
21 SACHS, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, ERIC PREVEN, JOHN WALSH, JOSEPH
22 PETITT. GO AHEAD, SIR.

23

24 **MARK FAUCETTE:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAME CHAIR. MY NAME IS MARK
25 FAUCETTE. I AM VICE CHAIR OF THE LOS ANGELES REGIONAL REENTRY



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1 PARTNERSHIP. I'M ALSO WITH THE AMITY FOUNDATION, AND WE HAVE A
2 200-BED RESIDENTIAL FACILITY IN DISTRICT 2. I COME TODAY IN
3 SUPPORT OF THE L.E.A.D. ITEM, NO. 2. I APPRECIATE THE
4 AMENDMENT FROM SUPERVISOR KUEHL, MY SUPERVISOR IN DISTRICT 3,
5 TO INCLUDE THE VERY IMPORTANT ASSESSMENT OF CURRENT EFFORTS OF
6 THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY L.E.A.D. PILOT. L.E.A.D. IMPROVES
7 PUBLIC SAFETY AND REDUCES RECIDIVISM BY INCREASING THE
8 AVAILABILITY OF USE OF SOCIAL SERVICE RESOURCES WHILE REDUCING
9 COSTS TO LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AND COURTS STEMMING FROM
10 REPEATED INCARCERATIONS. THIS IS IMPORTANT TO CONSIDER WITH
11 DRUG MEDI-CAL FOR RESIDENTIAL COMING ON BOARD SOON IN OUR
12 COUNTY. AND I WOULD ENCOURAGE LOOKING AT RESOURCES TO LEVERAGE
13 IN THE COMMUNITY, INCLUDING SOME OF THE STATE EFFORTS THROUGH
14 PAROLE FOR RESOURCES FOR FOLKS. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT WITNESS?

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18 **MARIA ALEXANDER:** MARIA ALEXANDER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CENTER
19 FOR LIVING AND LEARNING IN VAN NUYS. WE PROVIDE PEER-GUIDED
20 EMPLOYMENT AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR THOSE TRANSITIONING
21 FROM TREATMENT, INCARCERATION AND WELFARE. WE ARE ALL FORMER
22 CLIENTS, INCLUDING MYSELF. A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR
23 KUEHL FOR SUPPORTING OUR PROGRAMS. I'M HERE TODAY TO VOICE
24 SUPPORT FOR THIS MOTION, INCLUDING SUPERVISOR KUEHL'S
25 AMENDMENT REGARDING THE L.E.A.D. EFFORTS CURRENTLY UNDERWAY IN



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1 THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. AS A WOMAN WHO WAS SO LOST IN THE
2 ADDICTION THAT I ENDED UP HOMELESS FOR MANY YEARS IN THE
3 ALLEYS FROM ALVARADO TO MAIN STREET AND LITERALLY ON THE SIDE
4 OF THE 110 FREEWAY AND WHO CYCLED IN AND OUT OF THE COUNTY
5 JAIL FOR YEARS, I CAN'T SAY ENOUGH HOW VALUABLE THIS PROGRAM
6 CAN BE TO PEOPLE LIKE ME. I WENT THROUGH THE COUNTY JAIL THREE
7 TIMES WHILE I WAS PREGNANT, WENT INTO LABOR ON THE SIDE OF THE
8 110 FREEWAY, WHERE THE PARAMEDICS COULD NOT GET TO ME WITH A
9 STRETCHER, AND LOST MY DAUGHTER FOR HER FIRST FEW YEARS TO THE
10 FOSTER CARE SYSTEM THAT VERY DAY. NOT ONCE WAS I OFFERED
11 SERVICES. I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW WHAT THEY WERE, AND I CERTAINLY
12 WAS TOO ASHAMED TO ASK. I LIVED LIKE AN ANIMAL ON THE STREET
13 WITH MY ONLY CONTACT TO THE WORLD OUTSIDE OF THOSE USING AND
14 SELLING DRUGS, BEING LAW ENFORCEMENT. I HAD CONTACT WITH LAW
15 ENFORCEMENT ALMOST DAILY. I CAN ONLY IMAGINE THE PAIN I COULD
16 HAVE SAVED MYSELF AND MY CHILDREN HAD THE L.E.A.D. PROGRAM
17 BEEN IN EXISTENCE THEN, NOT TO MENTION THE SAVINGS TO THE
18 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY HAS ALREADY PUT
19 TOGETHER A STRONG L.E.A.D. PROGRAM TEAM. WE ARE A STRONG GROUP
20 OF PROVIDERS WITH LONG EXISTING PARTNERSHIPS, INCLUDING THOSE
21 WITH OUR LOCAL L.A.P.D., WHO UNDERSTAND AND SPECIALIZE IN
22 MEETING THOSE MOST IN NEED WHERE THEY ARE CURRENTLY AT, A CORE
23 PRINCIPLE OF L.E.A.D. I ASK THAT YOU SUPPORT THE EFFORTS
24 ALREADY UNDERWAY AND HELP US TO HELP OTHERS LIKE MYSELF. THANK
25 YOU.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

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4 **JOSEPH PETITT:** GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR. MY NAME'S JOSEPH. I
5 AM THE EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT OF L.A.R.P. AS WELL AS ALUMNI FOR
6 STUDENTS FOR SENSIBLE DRUG POLICY. I JUST WANTED TO SPEAK IN
7 SUPPORT OF L.E.A.D. AND L.E.A.D. IS NOT A HUMAN SERVICES
8 PROGRAM BUT A PUBLIC SAFETY AND ORDER PROGRAM THAT USES HUMAN
9 RESOURCES TOOLS. THE GOAL OF L.E.A.D. IS TO IMPROVE COMMUNITY
10 HEALTH AND SAFETY BY USING SPECIFIC HUMAN RESOURCES TOOLS AND
11 COORDINATING THEM WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT. L.A. COUNTY HAS BEGUN
12 THIS PROCESS BY CREATING THE OFFICE OF DIVERSION AND REENTRY,
13 WHICH MY BOSS SITS ON, AND L.E.A.D. WILL ONLY COMPLEMENT THE
14 COUNTY'S DIVERSION EFFORTS. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT WITNESS?

17

18 **EUNISSES HERNANDEZ:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS EUNISSES
19 HERNANDEZ. I'M WITH DRUG POLICY ALLIANCE. BEFORE I START, I
20 JUST WANT TO SAY THAT CHIEF GREEN, WHO IS THE CHIEF OF THE
21 VALLEY BUREAU, SENDS HIS APOLOGIES. HE WANTED TO COME AND
22 SPEAK ON THIS MOTION. D.P.A. HAS BEEN WORKING ON GETTING THIS
23 PROGRAM OFF THE GROUND, NOT ONLY IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
24 BUT ALL ACROSS THE NATION. THE L.E.A.D. PROGRAM IS A UNIQUE
25 PROGRAM, AND IT IS VOLUNTARY AND INCORPORATES THE HARM



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1 REDUCTION MODEL FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS. ALL OF THE STAKEHOLDERS
2 COMMIT TO WORKING TOGETHER TO OFFER ELIGIBLE AND WILLING LOW-
3 LEVEL OFFENDERS A PATH TO RESOURCES AND SERVICES THROUGH
4 COORDINATED CASE MANAGEMENT THAT WOULD NOT OTHERWISE BE
5 ACCESSIBLE IF THEIR TRADITIONAL BOOKING AND PERSECUTION
6 APPROACH -- PROSECUTION APPROACH WERE EMPLOYED. IN SEATTLE,
7 SEATTLE P.D. AND KING COUNTY SHERIFFS EXERCISE DISCRETIONARY
8 AUTHORITY TO GET PEOPLE INTO SERVICES RATHER THAN
9 INCARCERATION. L.E.A.D. IS A COLLABORATIVE EFFORT AMONG
10 VARIOUS STAKEHOLDERS, AND I'M VERY EXCITED THAT WE HAVE THE
11 OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH A LOT OF COUNTY AGENCIES AND A LOT OF
12 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS TO GET THIS PROGRAM OFF THIS
13 GROUND. THE GOALS AND METHODS PRESENTED BY THE L.E.A.D.
14 P.I.L.O.T. AND LEAD PROGRAM COMPLIMENT THOSE EXISTING WITHIN
15 THE COUNTY'S PUBLIC AGENCIES AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS. THE
16 COUNTY HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO BUILD ON THE INNOVATIVE PRACTICES
17 AND PARTNERSHIPS IN L.E.A.D. BY APPLYING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
18 STATE'S L.E.A.D. PROGRAM AS A PILOT JURISDICTION. I LOOK
19 FORWARD TO WORKING WITH COUNTY AGENCIES AND COMMUNITY-BASED
20 ORGANIZATIONS TO GET THIS MOVING AND TO GET PEOPLE INTO
21 SERVICES RATHER THAN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM. THANK YOU.

22
23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?



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1 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES. IT'S ERIC PREVEN, AND IN SPIRIT, I AM 100-
2 PERCENT BEHIND THIS KIND OF PROGRAM, AND THOUGH THERE HAVE
3 BEEN SOME ISSUES AND I NOTE THAT THE CITY ATTORNEYS ARE GOING
4 TO BE WEIGHING IN, WHICH IS SOMETHING THAT REQUIRES SOME
5 VIGILANCE. I WILL SAY THAT THE VALLEY DIVERSION OF L.A.P.D.
6 HAS A LONG TRACK RECORD. I CAME ACROSS A CASE VERY RECENTLY
7 THAT SPOKE A LITTLE BIT TO THE OTHER SIDE RATHER THAN
8 DIVERSION. IT SEEMED TO ME THAT THEY WERE ENGAGED IN ACTIVITY
9 THAT I THOUGHT WAS WORTH FURTHER STUDY, WHICH IS THIS. DRIVERS
10 WHO HAVE BEEN ARRESTED FOR BEING UNDER THE INFLUENCE ARE
11 BROUGHT TO A COURTHOUSE IN VAN NUYS, AND THEN THE DETECTIVE
12 DIVERSION OVER AT VALLEY TRAFFIC SCANS THE ROSTER IN THE
13 MORNING TO FIGURE OUT, HEY, HOW MANY D.U.I.S. DO WE GET TO
14 COME TO COURT? THEY COME TO COURT AND THEN THEY GO IN THE
15 PARKING LOT AND THEY SPOT THESE FOLKS GETTING INTO CARS ONE
16 WAY OR ANOTHER, AND IF THE PERSON IS ACTUALLY OPERATING A
17 VEHICLE, WHICH THEY'RE RESTRICTED FROM DOING, BUT THESE ARE
18 NOT DRUNK PEOPLE. THESE ARE PEOPLE -- NONETHELESS, WHAT THEY
19 DO IS THEY ARREST THEM. SO THAT IS INTERESTING. I MEAN,
20 OBVIOUSLY THAT'S CATCHING SOMEBODY ON A PROBATION VIOLATION IN
21 LAW ENFORCEMENT TERMS. BUT THE PART THAT GOT MY ATTENTION,
22 BECAUSE WE SHOULD HOLD PEOPLE TO A STANDARD, IF THEY'RE NOT
23 SUPPOSED TO BE DRIVING, THEY SHOULD BE PULLED OVER, WHATEVER,
24 BUT IN THIS CASE, THEY'RE BEING KIND OF TRAPPED AT THE HOUSE
25 OF COURT OF LAW WHERE THEY'RE TRYING TO CLEAR THEIR RECORDS.



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1 THEY'RE NOT DRUNK OR WHATEVER. AND WHAT SURPRISED ME THE MOST
2 WAS THAT THAT OFFENSE RESULTED IN INCARCERATION, RIGHT AT THE
3 SPOT. SO IT MADE ME THINK, WELL, I UNDERSTAND THAT THE JUDGE
4 HAS TO DO SOMETHING. AND WHEN THEY GO COURT, THEY NEED TO BE
5 ADDRESSED PROPERLY. BUT IT JUST STRUCK ME: IS THIS DIVERSION,
6 OR IS THIS KIND OF POACHING? NOW, IT'S COMPLICATED, BECAUSE
7 NOBODY SHOULD BE DRIVING IF THEIR LICENSE IS RESTRICTED,
8 OBVIOUSLY. BUT IF THEY'RE NOT INEBRIATED, THE WHOLE THING JUST
9 SMACKED OF A KIND OF A REVENUE PLAY THAT IS NOT IN LINE WITH
10 THE KINDS OF DIVERSION, REENTRY AND PUTTING THAT PERSON
11 IMMEDIATELY INTO SOME KIND OF A -- YOU KNOW, THEY SHOULD BE
12 ADDRESSED ON THAT VIOLATION. BUT I DON'T KNOW THAT JAIL IS THE
13 APPROPRIATE THING FOR SOMEONE WHO IS NOT EVEN DRUNK. THERE WAS
14 NO ALCOHOL IN HIS SYSTEM. THERE WAS JUST A COURT APPEARANCE.
15 NO, NO, SIR, THERE WAS NO ALCOHOL IN THE SYSTEM. THEY WERE
16 SIMPLY CAUGHT DRIVING WHEN THEY HAD LICENSE SUSPENSION. THAT'S
17 THE VIOLATION, AND THAT SHOULD NOT RESULT IN JAIL. BUT I AGREE
18 WITH YOU THAT IF THEY'RE DRINKING, THEY OUGHT TO BE TAKEN OFF
19 THE ROAD.

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21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** JOHN WALSH?

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23 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH, BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG OR
24 JWALSH CONFIDENTIAL TWEETING @HOLLYWOODDEMS. ANY TIME I SEE
25 YOU'RE CREATING JOBS, AND THESE AREN'T JOBS TO CATCH PEOPLE,



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1 THESE AREN'T JOBS TO ARREST PEOPLE, THESE AREN'T JOBS TO
2 IMPRISON PEOPLE, THESE ARE JUST NOTHING JOBS. AND PUBLIC
3 DEFENDER, ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDER, DEPUTY ALTERNATE PUBLIC
4 DEFENDER, ASSISTANT DEPUTY ALTERNATE PUBLIC DEFENDER, MORE AND
5 MORE JOBS. I MEAN, I THINK THAT THE PEOPLE, THE CRIMINALS
6 SHOULD CHARGE THESE MIDDLE PEOPLE FOR CREATING JOBS. NOBODY
7 CREATES JOBS MORE THAN THE CRIMINAL. THE CRIMINAL, ONCE YOU
8 GET ARRESTED -- THERE'S BEEN A STUDY. ONCE YOU ARE ARRESTED,
9 YOU CREATE A MINIMUM OF 47 JOBS IN THE COUNTY FOR A SIX-MONTH
10 INCARCERATION. AND WHEN IT GOES UP, MORE AND MORE JOBS. WE OWE
11 THE CRIMINALS IN L.A. A VOTE, PARTICULARLY WHITE PEOPLE,
12 BECAUSE MOST OF THE JOBS WILL GO TO WHITE PEOPLE. AND WE JUST
13 WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT WE ARE FOREVER INDEBTED TO THE CRIMINALS
14 FOR BEING NUMBER 1 WHEN IT COMES TO JOB CREATION. YOU'RE GOING
15 TO VOTE THESE LIVES TO NOTHING, AND YOU'LL COME BACK SIX
16 MONTHS LATER AND EXPAND IT. HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.

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18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER?

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20 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
21 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I THINK IT IS A VERY GOOD BEGINNING. I
22 THINK WE NEED TO REALLY LOOK AT SOME OF THOSE RE-ENTRY
23 PROGRAMS. I THINK SOME ARE NOT AS GOOD AS OTHERS. AND I THINK
24 MAYBE SOME MORE FOCUS ON REALLY LOOK AT THE BENEFIT NEEDS TO
25 BE DONE. BUT I THINK THAT'S A GOOD BEGINNING. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ARNOLD SACHS, AND I ALSO WANT TO CALL
3 UP TRUETT WRIGHT. GO AHEAD, ARNOLD.

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5 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.
6 YOU KNOW, IT'S FASCINATING TO LISTEN. SOME OF THE SUPERVISORS
7 ARE CORRECT. IT'S ACTUALLY JUST A GRANT, AN APPLICATION FOR A
8 GRANT. SO, WHEN CAN YOU SCHEDULE, BECAUSE YOU HAVE REPORT
9 BACKS HERE, WHEN DOES A GRANT BECOME OFFICIAL? WHEN DOES A
10 GRANT GO INTO EFFECT? WHEN DOES THE PROGRAMS THAT WILL BE
11 FUNDED BY THE GRANTS GO INTO EFFECT? HOW IS THE GRANT GOING TO
12 BE DIVIDED UP AMONGST THE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS AND THE
13 PROGRAMS IN THE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS? REALLY, YOU'RE
14 TALKING ABOUT A GRANT. YOU DON'T HAVE ANY IDEA HOW MUCH MONEY
15 YOU'RE GOING GET, BUT YOU HAVE AN IDEA TO PUT TOGETHER A
16 PROGRAM FOR A GRANT. SO, THERE'S NOTHING IN HERE THAT SAYS,
17 WELL, THE GRANT WILL BE EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1ST WHEN THE STATE
18 BUDGET GOES INTO EFFECT. IT DOESN'T SAY ANYTHING THERE.
19 PROCESS AND SCHEDULE FOR COLLABORATING TO PREPARE AN
20 APPLICATION FOR THE FORTHCOMING STATE GRANT FUND. THAT'S LIKE
21 AN R.F.P., REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL. SO, WHAT ARE THE STEPS TO GO
22 ALONG WITH THAT? AND YOU HAVE AN ASSESSMENT. HERE'S A STORY
23 FROM 1/31/12, L.A.'S CLOSED-DOOR SUPERVISORS. THIS HAD TO DO
24 WITH THE VIOLATION OF THE BROWN ACT WHEN YOU MET, SOME OF YOU



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1 MET WITH JERRY BROWN. AND THE DISCUSSION WAS ABOUT THE IMPACT
2 OF A.B.109.

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4 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** SIR, HOW IS THIS RELATED TO THE ITEM
5 BEFORE THE BOARD RIGHT NOW?

6

7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WOULD YOU, JUST A SECOND? I'M EXPLAINING THAT.

8

9 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** SIR, I'M JUST ASKING, BECAUSE YOU'RE
10 OFF TOPIC AT THIS POINT.

11

12 **ARNOLD SACHS:** SO, YOU HAD AN OPPORTUNITY FROM 2011 TO
13 INVESTIGATE SOME PROGRAMS. WHY DON'T YOU DO A REASSESSMENT ON
14 THE PROGRAMS THAT YOU'VE INVESTIGATED? IT STATES RIGHT HERE --

15

16 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** SIR, YOU'RE OFF TOPIC.

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18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** NO, MA'AM, I'M NOT OFF TOPIC.

19

20 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** YES, YOU ARE.

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22 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YOU NEED TO READ THE AGENDA.

23

24 **MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL:** I DO, SIR.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** TIME'S EXPIRED.

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3 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, I KNOW IT IS. SHE DOESN'T KNOW WHAT SHE'S
4 TALKING ABOUT. THE AGENDA MENTIONS...

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** PLEASE, LET'S MOVE ON. WE HAVE
7 ANOTHER SPEAKER.

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9 **TRUETT WRIGHT:** HI, THANK YOU. MY NAME IS TRUETT WRIGHT. I WORK
10 AT TARZANA TREATMENT CENTER OUT IN RESEDA, AND I COORDINATE A
11 TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM FOR PEOPLE WITH H.I.V. AND
12 A.I.D.S. WHO ARE COMING OUT OF THE COUNTY JAIL OR WHO ARE
13 COMING OUT OF TREATMENT OR WHO ARE HOMELESS IN THE STREETS. WE
14 HELP THEM TRANSITION BACK INTO THE COMMUNITY THROUGH LOTS OF
15 DIFFERENT PROGRAMS, NAMELY SUBSTANCE ABUSE. I'M HERE IN
16 SUPPORT OF L.E.A.D. WE'RE REALLY GRATEFUL TO THE COUNTY FOR
17 THE SUPPORT FOR PEOPLE WITH H.I.V. AND A.I.D.S., AND TO APPLY
18 FOR THIS GRANT OR TO HAVE THIS COME TO FRUITION WE THINK WOULD
19 BE HELPFUL TO PEOPLE WHO DON'T QUALIFY FOR AS MANY SERVICES
20 BECAUSE OF THEIR NOT HAVING H.I.V. AND A.I.D.S. AND WE WOULD
21 APPRECIATE ANY SUPPORT THAT YOU CAN GIVE FOR THAT. WE THINK
22 THAT IT'S THE WAY TO GO. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU, SIR. OKAY, MEMBERS, THIS
25 ITEM IS BEFORE US.



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2 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** MADAME CHAIR, YOU HAVE AN AMENDMENT
3 THAT WILL BE ON NEXT WEEK'S AGENDA. AND WHAT YOU HAVE BEFORE
4 YOU --

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6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** A MOTION.

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8 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** A MOTION, RIGHT.

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10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** CORRECTION, MADAME CHAIR.

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12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT SHOULDN'T BE CONSIDERED AN AMENDMENT.

15

16 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** RIGHT. A MOTION. THANK YOU. YOU
17 HAVE A MOTION THAT WILL BE ON NEXT WEEK'S AGENDA. AND YOU HAVE
18 BEFORE YOU AGENDA ITEM NO. 2.

19

20 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I'LL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
21 RIDLEY-THOMAS. AND WITH ONE NO VOTE --

22

23 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** ONE ABSTENTION VOTE, I BELIEVE,
24 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. MEASURE PASSES.

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3 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT COULD BE A READ-IN.

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, VERY GOOD. MOTION PASSES FOR
6 ONE ABSTENTION. OKAY, NEXT ITEM IS NO. 3 THAT'S BEEN HELD.
7 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND DON KNABE? SUPERVISOR KNABE? THIS
8 IS ON THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAME CHAIR. IN
11 JANUARY OF 2015 WHEN SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND I INTRODUCED A
12 PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE WITH A CHILDREN'S SOCIAL WORKER ITEM,
13 CONDUCTING ABUSE AND NEGLECT INVESTIGATIONS FOR CHILDREN UNDER
14 THE AGE OF 2, WE WERE ACTING ON THREE OF THE BLUE RIBBON
15 COMMISSION'S MOST ALARMING FINDINGS, THE FIRST OF WHICH WAS
16 THE MORTALITY RATES, HIGHEST AMONG INFANTS AND UNDERAGED
17 YOUNGSTERS. THE SECOND WAS THAT CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 5
18 ARE AT THE GREATEST RISK OF DEATH AS A RESULT OF ABUSE AND
19 NEGLECT. AND THIRDLY, A REPORT TO A CHILD-PROTECTION HOTLINE
20 IS THE SINGLE BEST PREDICTOR OF A CHILD'S INJURY RELATED TO
21 DEATH BEFORE THE AGE OF 5. I WAS PLEASED TO SEE THAT THE
22 C.E.O., D.C.F.S., D.H.S., D.M.H., AND D.P.H. WORKED SO QUICKLY
23 AND COLLABORATIVELY TO IMPLEMENT THE JOINT VISIT INITIATIVE
24 PILOT IN THE SECOND DISTRICT. AND IT SHOULD PORTEND
25 SIGNIFICANT THINGS FOR THE BALANCE OF THE COUNTY. THAT'S WHY



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1 WE THOUGHT WE WOULD ENTHUSIASTICALLY PILOT IT. SO I LOOK
2 FORWARD TO SEEING A ROBUST, RIGOROUS ANALYSIS FOR A FULL
3 YEAR'S WORTH OF DATA FROM THE PILOT SO THAT WE CAN TRULY
4 DETERMINE WHAT ITS IMPACTS ARE, WHAT THE PARTNERSHIP REALLY
5 MEANS, AND HOW IT CAN BE EXPANDED, SCALED UP,
6 INSTITUTIONALIZED AND KEEP IT FAITHFUL TO THE INTENT OF THE
7 BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION AS WAS AFFIRMED UNANIMOUSLY BY THE
8 BOARD. SINCE THIS MOTION ADDRESSES THE CONSOLIDATION OF THE
9 PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES UNDER D.P.H., THERE ARE A FEW QUESTIONS
10 THAT I WISH TO POSE, MADAME CHAIR, AND WILL DO SO WHEN YOU
11 DEEM APPROPRIATE.

12

13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR KNABE?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS, AS WELL.

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17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WELL, I JUST WANT TO THANK OUR
18 DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS THAT ARE BEFORE US RIGHT NOW. I KNOW
19 THAT THIS HAS BEEN SOMETHING THAT IS VERY TIMELY, SOMETHING
20 THAT HAS BEEN BROUGHT UP BEFORE REGARDING THIS TYPE OF
21 TRANSFER CONSOLIDATION, I THINK, TO BE MORE PRECISE, AND WOULD
22 LIKE TO HEAR FROM EACH OF YOU REGARDING YOUR VIEW. AND WHY
23 DON'T WE JUST START WITH MR. BROWNING?

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1 **PHILIP BROWNING:** WELL, I THINK THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE PROGRAM
2 HAS BEEN A VALUABLE ASSET TO D.C.F.S. FOR 15 YEARS OR SO. SO
3 PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES ARE HOUSED IN D.C.F.S. OFFICES THROUGHOUT
4 THE COUNTY, AND THEY'RE AVAILABLE TO ASSIST SOCIAL WORKERS.
5 AND SO I THINK IT'S REALLY BEEN AN EXCELLENT USE OF PUBLIC
6 HEALTH NURSES. I THINK ONE OF THE CHALLENGES FOR US IS THE
7 REPORTING STRUCTURE THAT WE CURRENTLY HAVE. SO, ABOUT 100 OF
8 THE NURSES, PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES, MANY OF WHOM WE HAVE IN THE
9 AUDIENCE FROM VERMONT CORRIDOR AND FROM OUR COMMAND POST,
10 THEY'RE WORKING TOGETHER TODAY WITH OUR SOCIAL WORKERS, BUT
11 THEY HAVE A CHAIN OF COMMAND THAT COMES UP BASICALLY TO ME.
12 AND THEN WE HAVE OTHER PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES THAT ARE EMPLOYEES
13 OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. AND THAT CREATES SOMETIMES
14 CONFUSION IN OFFICES ABOUT WHO SHOULD A WORKER, SOCIAL WORKER
15 GO TO TO ACTUALLY GET SOMETHING DONE. SO I THINK THE
16 CONSOLIDATION PROCESS CAN HAVE MANY BENEFITS.

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18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** RIGHT. YES. JUDGE NASH?

19

20 **HON. MICHAEL NASH:** YES. OBVIOUSLY I AGREE WITH THIS IDEA OF
21 CONSOLIDATING THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES INTO THE DEPARTMENT OF
22 PUBLIC HEALTH. IT WOULD BE A MUCH MORE EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE
23 WAY OF ATTEMPTING TO USE THEIR VALUABLE SERVICES. PLUS, THERE
24 ARE JUST A LOT OF ISSUES WITH HAVING NURSES IN TWO DEPARTMENTS
25 ESSENTIALLY SERVING THE SAME POPULATION. THERE'S A LOT OF



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1 COMMUNICATION AND COORDINATION ISSUES. THERE ARE TRAINING
2 ISSUES. THERE ARE SUPERVISION ISSUES. SO I THINK THAT IT WOULD
3 BE A FIRST STEP IN CREATING A BETTER SYSTEM ABOUT HOW WE USE
4 PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES. BUT I THINK MY MAIN POINT IS THAT WHAT
5 WE NEED TO DO IS REALLY BEGIN A VERY COMPREHENSIVE
6 CONVERSATION ABOUT THE USE OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES IN CHILD
7 WELFARE. AND I THINK IT SHOULD BE A BROAD CONVERSATION
8 REGARDLESS OF WHETHER WE ULTIMATELY DECIDE TO CONSOLIDATE THE
9 NURSES. WE NEED TO BE CLEAR AS TO WHAT THEIR ROLE OUGHT TO BE.
10 WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND WHAT KIND OF TRAINING IT'S GOING TO TAKE
11 FOR THEM TO BE ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH THAT ROLE, BUT ALSO THEY'RE
12 WORKING IN A COLLABORATIVE SITUATION WITH SOCIAL WORKERS. SO
13 THERE NEEDS TO BE TRAINING ON BOTH SIDES ABOUT THEIR
14 INDIVIDUAL ROLES AND HOW THEY WORK TOGETHER. AND I THINK THAT
15 THIS COULD AND SHOULD BE A FIRST STEP IN BEGINNING THAT
16 COMPREHENSIVE CONVERSATION.

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MISS HARDING?

19

20 **CYNTHIA HARDING:** THANK YOU. I AGREE WITH BOTH THE COMMENTS
21 MADE BY MY COLLEAGUES, AND JUST TO ADD AT AT THE END OF THE
22 DAY, THIS IS ABOUT BETTER SERVING THE MOST VULNERABLE CHILDREN
23 IN OUR COUNTY AND FINDING A WAY TO USE THESE PUBLIC HEALTH
24 NURSE RESOURCES IN THE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY TO PROVIDE THEM THE
25 SUPPORT THEY NEED TO DO THIS JOB AS EFFECTIVELY AS POSSIBLE



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1 AND TO BEST SERVE CHILDREN IN OUR COUNTY BY HAVING COMMON
2 TRAINING AND PROTOCOLS AND POLICIES IN PLACE THAT CAN
3 STRENGTHEN THE WAY IN WHICH WE SERVE THOSE CHILDREN.

4

5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I THINK WHEN I LOOKED AT THIS MOTION
6 AND AGREED TO MOVE FORWARD ON IT, THE IMPORTANT ASPECT FOR ME
7 WAS THE TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE AND HOW IMPORTANT IT WAS TO BE
8 ABLE TO ARTICULATE THAT TO THE SOCIAL WORKERS TO UNDERSTAND
9 WHAT THINGS TO LOOK FOR BUT ALSO WHAT MAY BE OBSERVED BY A
10 PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE AS OPPOSED TO SOMEONE WHO MAY NOT BE AS
11 WELL VERSED IN SOME OF THE PARTICULARS WHEN IT COMES TO TRAUMA
12 AND TO DELVE INTO THAT AND ASK THE RIGHT QUESTIONS OF THE
13 VICTIM. AND THAT TO ME JUST GOES BACK TO SOME OF MY THINKING
14 WHEN WE WERE -- I KNOW SUPERVISOR KUEHL AND I WORKED ON ISSUES
15 REGARDING WOMEN'S RAPE, TRAUMA INCIDENTS, SEXUAL ASSAULT,
16 THINGS OF THAT NATURE. THEY ARE VERY, VERY SENSITIVE, BUT YOU
17 REALLY HAVE TO UNDERSTAND HOW TO BE ABLE TO ADDRESS THEM AND
18 BE ABLE TO HAVE INFORMED STAFF, TRAINED STAFF, NURSING STAFF
19 FOR INCIDENTS LIKE THAT. AND THOSE ARE HARD, BECAUSE MANY
20 CHILDREN, I'M SURE, ARE TRAUMATIZED VERY YOUNG. IT'S HARD TO
21 DETECT. AND I THINK THIS IS A GOOD STEP IN THE RIGHT
22 DIRECTION. I'M GLAD TO SEE THE COLLABORATION. SO WITH THAT,
23 SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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1 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I JUST WANTED TO
2 ADD, BECAUSE WHEN SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS BROUGHT THIS
3 FORWARD ORIGINALLY FROM THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION
4 RECOMMENDATION, THE NOTION WAS THAT THERE WAS GREAT ADVANTAGE
5 TO HAVING PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES ACCOMPANY SOCIAL WORKERS. THIS
6 MOTION DOESN'T CHANGE THAT AT ALL. WE REALLY ARE STILL
7 INTERESTED IN CERTAINLY HOW THAT'S WORKING, BUT THAT PILOT
8 GOES ON AND COULD HOPEFULLY BE EXPANDED. THIS SIMPLY ASKS AND
9 DOESN'T ACTUALLY TAKE THE ACTION OF CONSOLIDATING THE NURSES
10 IN THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT TODAY. IT ASKS FOR A REPORT
11 BACK IN A MONTH. AND WHEN THE MOTION WAS ORIGINALLY SHOWN TO
12 ME TO POTENTIALLY COAUTHOR, IT ASKED TO IDENTIFY THE BENEFITS
13 OF TRANSFERRING TO PUBLIC HEALTH. AND I ADDED THE WORD AND
14 DETRIMENTS, IF ANY, BECAUSE I ACTUALLY, I WANT TO UNDERSTAND
15 IF THERE ARE ADVANTAGES TO HAVING THESE NURSES SORT OF BE
16 SEPARATE. BUT I DO KNOW THAT THERE HAVE BEEN SOME CONCERNS
17 FROM THE NURSES THEMSELVES ABOUT THE KIND OF TRAINING
18 AVAILABLE TO THEM IN PUBLIC HEALTH THAT ISN'T AT THE MOMENT
19 AVAILABLE IN D.C.F.S. IT'S NOT LIKE THEY DON'T LIKE THE WORK
20 OR GOING TO VISIT WITH THE FAMILIES, BUT PROFESSIONALLY I
21 THINK THE FEELING WAS -- AND MANY OF THEM SENT A LETTER
22 SUPPORTING THE CONSOLIDATION, BUT OF COURSE WE'LL HEAR FROM
23 THEM THEMSELVES -- BUT I THINK THE FEELING WAS MORE JUST ABOUT
24 THE PROFESSIONAL TRAINING, SUPERVISION AND, STILL, THE ABILITY
25 TO COLLABORATE, I THINK, WITH THE SOCIAL WORKERS, IF I'M NOT



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1 MISTAKEN. SO I THINK THIS REPORT BACK WILL HELP US UNDERSTAND
2 SPECIFICALLY IF THERE ARE ADVANTAGES OR DISADVANTAGES TO THE
3 NURSES IN TERMS OF THEIR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND TO OUR
4 PROGRAMS IN TERMS OF THAT KIND OF SUPERVISION.

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6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. I'M VERY SUPPORTIVE OF THE MOTION, BUT
9 I REALLY SUPPORT THE TEAMING PROCESS AND I REALLY WANT THE
10 PILOT PROGRAM TO CONTINUE WHAT WE'RE DOING IN THE
11 COMPTON/VERMONT AREA. AND MY QUESTION WOULD BE, WOULD MOVING
12 THESE NURSES OVER TO D.P.H. IMPACT THE PILOT PROGRAM IN ANY
13 WAY? I MEAN, IS YOUR INTENT TO IMPACT THE PILOT PROGRAM? I
14 DON'T THINK IT'S OUR INTENT TO IMPACT THE PILOT PROGRAM, AS I
15 UNDERSTAND MY COLLEAGUE'S COMMENTS?

16

17 **PHILIP BROWNING:** SUPERVISOR, THOSE ARE NURSES, I THINK, THAT
18 BELONG OR REPORT TO D.C.F.S. AND IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING WE'RE
19 GOING TO CONTINUE THAT PILOT UNTIL THE BOARD WERE TO DETERMINE
20 SOMETHING OTHERWISE. I THINK THAT'S A PILOT THAT'S HAD ABOUT 7
21 MONTHS. AND SO UNLESS DIRECTED BY THE BOARD, WE WOULD CONTINUE
22 TO DO THAT. WE HAVE SOCIAL WORKERS TONIGHT AND PUBLIC HEALTH
23 NURSES TONIGHT AND TODAY THAT WILL BE GOING OUT JOINTLY TO
24 LOOK AT CHILDREN AND RESPOND TO A REFERRAL THAT'S COME INTO
25 OUR HOTLINE.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY, BECAUSE MR. NASH HAS RECOMMENDED TERMINATION
3 OF THE PILOT, RIGHT?

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5 **HON. MICHAEL NASH:** LISTEN, I HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THE PILOT
6 PROGRAM. BUT AS I SIT HERE TODAY, IT'S YOUR DECISION. BUT I'M
7 FINE WITH THE PILOT CONTINUING. WE'RE HERE TODAY REALLY FOR A
8 LIMITED PURPOSE. I THINK THAT SHOULD -- ONCE AGAIN, SHOULD THE
9 BOARD DECIDE THAT WE SHOULD BEGIN A CONSOLIDATION PROCESS,
10 THAT'S GOING TO TAKE A FAIR AMOUNT OF TIME TO ENGINEER THAT.
11 IN THE MEANTIME, THAT WOULD ALSO GIVE US THE OPPORTUNITY TO
12 HAVE THIS COMPREHENSIVE CONVERSATION ABOUT THE USE OF PUBLIC
13 HEALTH NURSES, AND PART OF THAT CONVERSATION SHOULD BE THEIR
14 CONTINUING VIABILITY OF THIS PILOT. SO I DON'T THINK THAT ONE
15 WAY OR ANOTHER THE PILOT IS GOING TO END AT THIS POINT.

16

17 **PHILIP BROWNING:** SUPERVISOR, IF I COULD FOLLOW-UP. ONE OF THE
18 THINGS I THINK WE'RE HOPING TO DO IS TO HAVE A RESEARCHER COME
19 IN AND ACTUALLY LOOK AT THE DATA WE HAVE AND THE DATA WE'RE
20 GOING TO COLLECT TO MAKE A MORE INFORMED DECISION. ONE OF THE
21 THINGS THAT I NOTICED WAS THAT WE HAVE OPENED FEWER CASES IN
22 D.C.F.S. SINCE WE STARTED THIS PROCESS IN THOSE TWO
23 JURISDICTIONS. SO, WHAT I DON'T KNOW IS WHETHER OR NOT THE
24 NURSES THEMSELVES HAVE HELPED TO MAKE THAT DECISION WITH THE
25 WORKERS SO THAT WE OPEN FEWER CASES, AND THAT'S A GOOD THING



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1 IN MOST SITUATIONS WHERE WE DON'T TAKE A CHILD INTO CARE AND
2 REMOVE THEM FROM THEIR FAMILY. SO I'M HOPEFUL THAT IF WE HAVE
3 AN ASSESSMENT PROCESS, IT LOOKS AT MANY FACTORS, BECAUSE WE'VE
4 PUT MORE SOCIAL WORKERS INTO THE FIELD, WE'VE GIVEN THEM MORE
5 TRAINING. SO I DON'T KNOW THAT WE COULD SAY JUST BECAUSE THERE
6 IS A NURSE AND A SOCIAL WORKER GOING TO SEE A CHILD THAT THAT
7 WAS THE REASON WHY A CASE WASN'T OPENED. BUT THAT COULD BE THE
8 CASE. AND IF SO, THAT MIGHT BE WORTH EXPANDING THE PROJECT IN
9 AND OF ITSELF. BUT THAT'S SOMETHING WE DON'T KNOW YET.

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YEAH, I THINK THIS IS A VERY, VERY KEY
12 POINT, AND IT IS PRECISELY WHY, IN MY VIEW, IT IS PREMATURE TO
13 DRAW A CONCLUSION THAT WOULD SUGGEST TERMINATION. WE MAY NOT
14 HAVE FULLY FIGURED OUT HOW TO MOST EFFECTIVELY IMPLEMENT THE
15 BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION AND THE BOARD'S
16 ADOPTION TO SAY IMPLEMENT. AND SO THERE ARE A COUPLE OF THINGS
17 THAT DO OCCUR TO ME IN THIS CONNECTION. AND WHEN THIS RETURNS
18 TO US, I WOULD HOPE THAT THESE CONCERNS WOULD THEN BE FURTHER
19 ANALYZED OR FLUSHED OUT... THE FIRST OF WHICH IS THE
20 RECOMMENDATIONS MADE REGARDING A MORE EFFECTIVE USE OF PUBLIC
21 HEALTH NURSES. WHAT FEEDBACK ARE YOU PREPARED TO GIVE THE
22 BOARD ABOUT HOW TO MAXIMIZE THE USE OF THOSE NURSES? I THINK
23 WE HAVE YET TO HEAR AND KNOW HOW THAT IS ACCOMPLISHED, AND I
24 WOULD ASK FOR A COLLABORATIVE EFFORT IN GIVING US SOME
25 FEEDBACK IN THAT REGARD. THE ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS THAT I WISH



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1 TO POSE GOES DIRECTLY, MR. BROWNING, TO WHAT YOU SUGGESTED IN
2 TERMS OF FURTHER RESEARCH, ANALYSIS, ATTEMPT TO UNDERSTAND
3 WHAT WE HAVE BEFORE US; NAMELY THE WAY IN WHICH YOU SOLICIT
4 FEEDBACK FROM THOSE SOCIAL WORKERS, CHILDREN SOCIAL WORKERS,
5 AND PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES ON THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE JOINT
6 VISITATION INITIATIVE, THE PILOT EFFORT, AND THE OVERALL ROLE
7 OF EACH CONTRIBUTING COMPONENT. WHERE'S THE DATA THAT
8 ESSENTIALLY LOOKS AT WHAT AMOUNTS TO A CERTAIN ASPECT OF FIELD
9 TESTING? AND IN THAT CONNECTION, HAVE YOU CONSIDERED OBTAINING
10 FEEDBACK FROM THE FAMILIES THAT HAVE BEEN SERVED BY OR WOULD
11 BE SERVED BY THIS PILOT PROGRAM TO FIND OUT THEIR IMPRESSIONS
12 OF THE LINKAGES PROVIDED BY THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES? IT SEEMS
13 TO ME IF WE GO IN THE DIRECTION OF THESE QUESTIONS, WE MAY
14 BEGIN TO LEARN MORE CONFIDENTLY WHETHER THIS IS WORKING OR NOT
15 WORKING. I WOULD LOOK FORWARD TO FEEDBACK ON THOSE THREE
16 QUESTIONS. MADAME CHAIR?

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18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** VERY WELL. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS FROM
19 BOARD MEMBERS ON THIS ITEM? WE DO HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT. THANK
20 YOU. I'LL CALL THEM UP. KAREN MOTUS, MIRIAM KAMAU, VIRGIN
21 WATTERS, DONEITA HARMON, KAREN SOLOMON, AND DR. GENEVIEVE
22 CLAVREUL, ARNOLD SACHS, ERIC PREVEN, JOHN WALSH. WELCOME AND
23 PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME.

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1 **KAREN MOTUS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS KAREN
2 MOTUS, AND I'M A PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE SUPERVISOR WORKING FOR
3 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, HEALTHCARE PROGRAM FOR
4 CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE. I SUPERVISE THREE D.C.F.S. OFFICES,
5 AND I'M HERE BOTH SEEKING CHANGE AND TO ADVOCATE FOR THE
6 NEARLY 35,000 CHILDREN TOUCHED BY LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S CHILD
7 WELFARE SYSTEM. THE H.C.P.C.F.C. PROGRAM WAS ESTABLISHED
8 NEARLY TWO DECADES AGO RECOGNIZING THAT VULNERABLE CHILD-
9 WELFARE-INVOLVED YOUTH HAVE UNIQUE AND CHALLENGING HEALTH
10 NEEDS. THE H.C.P.C.F.C. IS A SPECIALIZED SYSTEM OF CARE
11 GROUNDED IN PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING PRACTICE. WE ARE CHARGED
12 WITH ONGOING DAY-TO-DAY ADVOCACY AND CARE MANAGEMENT FOR OVER
13 22,000 CHILDREN WHO ARE REMOVED FROM THEIR HOMES. OUR CHARGE
14 IS TO PROMOTE EXCELLENCE IN HEALTH OUTCOMES, MENTAL HEALTH,
15 MEDICAL, ORAL, DEVELOPMENTAL FOR ALL CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME
16 PLACEMENT. WE SERVE THE CHILDREN IN CHILD WELFARE AS WELL AS
17 FOSTER YOUTH IN PROBATION. YOU MAY HAVE HEARD FOLKS REFER TO
18 THE FOSTER CARE NURSES WORK FOR US AS A BACK-END CHILD WELFARE
19 NURSES. IT'S NOT A TERM WE PARTICULARLY LIKE, BUT IT REFERS TO
20 THE BACK- END CARE MANAGEMENT THAT THESE VULNERABLE CHILDREN
21 DESPERATELY NEED. LIKE MY COLLEAGUES IN D.C.F.S., I SERVE IN A
22 CONSULTING CAPACITY TO SOCIAL WORKERS, AND LIKE MY D.C.F.S.
23 NURSE COUNTERPARTS, MY NURSING LICENSE AND CHARGE IS TO PUT
24 THE CHILD'S HEALTH AND SAFETY NEEDS FIRST. EVERY DAY THE
25 NURSES ON MY TEAM COLLABORATE WITH A RANGE OF PROVIDERS AND



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1 CAREGIVERS TO ENSURE THAT OUR VULNERABLE CHILDREN DO NOT
2 SUFFER FROM SECONDARY NEGLECT. AS FOSTER CARE CHILDREN, THEY
3 ARE AT INCREASED RISK OF ADVERSE HEALTH OUTCOMES REGARDLESS OF
4 THEIR INDIVIDUAL NEEDS. WE SUPPORT THE MOTION OF A 30-DAY
5 REPORT BACK ON THE PROPOSED TRANSFER OF D.C.F.S. NURSES TO THE
6 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. I FOR ONE RECOGNIZE THAT THE
7 NURSES THAT I SUPERVISE BENEFIT FROM AN ORGANIZATIONAL SUPPORT
8 SYSTEM, INCLUDING TRAINING, NURSING CHAIN OF COMMAND, AND THE
9 APPROPRIATE STRUCTURE THAT SADLY MY D.C.F.S. COLLEAGUES LACK.
10 I ALSO BELIEVE THEY ARE CERTAINLY BENEFIT FROM A DEPARTMENTAL
11 CULTURE THAT HONORS AND RESPECTS NURSING AND PUBLIC HEALTH.
12 THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT WITNESS?

15

16 **MIRIAM KAMAU:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MIRIAM
17 KAMAU, AND I AM A PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE WORKING FOR THE
18 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES AND I AM IN FAVOR
19 OF AGENDA ITEM NO. 3. SUPERVISORS, AS PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES, MY
20 PEERS AND I SERVE SOME OF THE MOST FRAGILE CHILDREN IN THE
21 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. IN LIGHT OF THIS MOTION TO MERGE
22 D.C.F.S. PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES UNDER D.P.H., WE RESPECTFULLY
23 ASK THAT NURSES FROM BOTH DEPARTMENTS HAVE REPRESENTATION AT
24 THE TABLE THROUGH THIS CHANGE PROCESS. I AM CONFIDENT THAT
25 TOGETHER WE CAN BUILD A STRONGER SAFETY NET FOR THE CHILDREN



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1 AND FAMILIES THAT WE SERVE WITHIN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.
2 WHILE I AM POSITIVE AND SUPPORT THIS CHANGE, I ALSO WANT TO
3 CAUTION THAT WE RESPECTFULLY CONTINUE TO WORK WITH OUR CURRENT
4 PROGRAMS BUT ONLY STRONGER AND MORE UNITED. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT WITNESS?

7

8 **VIRGIN WATTERS:** HI. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS VIRGIN WATTERS
9 AND I AM A PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SUPERVISOR WITH THE D.C.F.S.
10 BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION INITIATIVE AND I AM AT THE COMMAND
11 POST. AND I WOULD JUST LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY
12 TO SPEAK. BEING OUT THERE ON THE FRONTLINE IN THIS PROGRAM, I
13 DO AGREE THAT WE DO NEED TO SPEND MORE TIME LOOKING AT SOME OF
14 THE CONCERNS AS FAR AS THE FAMILIES, THEIR RESPONSE TO OUR
15 VISITS WITH THOSE SOCIAL WORKERS. THESE ARE ISSUES THAT HAVE
16 COME UP, BECAUSE WHAT WE SEE WITH THE INITIATIVE AS WELL AS
17 JUST D.C.F.S. IN THE REGIONAL OFFICES, THERE HAS BEEN AN
18 INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF SOCIAL WORKERS, AND THAT IS GREAT,
19 AND THAT HAS DECREASED THE RATIO FOR SOCIAL WORKERS TO
20 CHILDREN. BUT WHAT HAS HAPPENED WITH THE NURSES, THERE IS AN
21 INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF SOCIAL WORKERS THAT WE CONSULT WITH
22 ON THE HEALTHCARE ISSUES FOR THESE CHILDREN BUT THERE HAS NOT
23 BEEN AN INCREASE IN THE STAFFING FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES
24 TO CONSULT WITH THESE SOCIAL WORKERS. AND THAT HAS DECREASED
25 SOME OF THE EFFICIENCY AND THEIR ABILITY TO COME TO US FOR



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1 SERVICE FOR THOSE CHILDREN. SO THOSE ARE SOME OF THE THINGS
2 THAT WITH IN SUPPORT OF THE MERGER OF US GOING UNDER D.P.H.,
3 WE LOOK AT -- WE HOPE THAT YOU CAN LOOK AT THE STAFFING
4 ISSUES, BECAUSE JUST MERGING US IS NOT GOING TO CORRECT THOSE
5 STAFFING ISSUES THAT WE ARE EXPERIENCING. AND THE OTHER THING
6 IS THAT WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO BE INCLUDED AT THE TABLE WITH
7 THESE CHANGES, BECAUSE BEING ON THE FRONTLINE, WE ARE ABLE TO
8 GIVE YOU THE INFORMATION THAT YOU NEED TO EFFECTIVELY
9 INSTITUTE THIS CHANGE. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

12

13 **DONEITA HARMON:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS DONEITA HARMON, AND
14 I'M A P.H.N. UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

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16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** DO YOU WANT TO SPEAK INTO THE MIC,
17 MA'AM?

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19 **DONEITA HARMON:** OH, YES, MA'AM.

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21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. GO AHEAD.

22

23 **DONEITA HARMON:** I'M VERY MUCH IN FAVOR OF THE INTEGRATION OF
24 D.P.H. AND D.C.F.S. NURSES. HOWEVER, WE WANT TO MAKE IT KNOWN
25 THAT THE MERGER ITSELF WILL NOT ADDRESS THE CRITICAL NURSING



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1 SHORTAGE THAT WE ARE BOTH EXPERIENCING. IN THE LANCASTER
2 OFFICE ALONE, WE ARE CURRENTLY EXPECTING 30 NEW C.S.W.S, WHICH
3 WITH THE CURRENT SHORTAGE OF NURSING STAFF EXPERIENCED BY BOTH
4 PROGRAMS, GREATLY REDUCES OUR ABILITY TO PROVIDE THE QUALITY
5 CARE TO THE CHILDREN WE SERVE. THEREFORE, WE ARE REQUESTING
6 THAT YOU NOT ONLY ALLOW THE INTEGRATION OF THE TWO PROGRAMS
7 BUT ALSO RELEASE THE FUNDING THAT WILL RESOLVE THE STAFFING
8 SHORTAGES. AND I WILL ADD, IN THE EVENT THAT YOU DECIDE TO
9 ALLOW THE MERGER OF NURSING PROGRAMS, WE ALSO ASK THAT NURSES
10 BE ALLOWED TO TAKE A SEAT AT THE TABLE AS THE FUTURE OF OUR
11 NURSING PROGRAM AND OUR NURSING CAREERS ARE DETERMINED. WE
12 WANT TO BE A PART OF THAT DECISION-MAKING PROCESS. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

15

16 **DEBRA STEWART:** GOOD AFTERNOON TO THE BOARD. I WANT TO SAY
17 THANK YOU, FIRST OF ALL, FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEC BEFORE
18 YOU TODAY. MY NAME IS DEBRA STEWART, AND I'M A PUBLIC HEALTH
19 NURSE WITH DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. I HAVE
20 DEDICATED 17 YEARS OF COUNTY SERVICE TO THE CHILD WELFARE
21 DEPARTMENT. I'M VERY PROUD OF THAT. I'M VERY PASSIONATE ABOUT
22 WHAT I DO ON A DAY-TO-DAY BASIS FOR FAMILIES AND ESPECIALLY
23 FOR THE VULNERABLE CHILDREN IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I AM
24 HOPEFUL AND IN AGREEMENT WITH THE TRANSFER OF THE PUBLIC
25 HEALTH NURSES IN D.C.F.S. TO BE PLACED AND INTEGRATED INTO



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1 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH. THIS MOVE PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY
2 FOR ME AND MY COLLEAGUES TO ACTUALLY HAVE A CAREER LADDER,
3 NURSING STRUCTURE, AND A PROMISED CULTURE THAT RESPECTS NURSES
4 AND IS GROUNDED IN PUBLIC HEALTH. I AM ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT
5 HOW MY WORK WILL CHANGE AND WHETHER OR NOT WE WILL CONTINUE TO
6 BE STRETCHED THIN OR WE WILL BE SUPPORTED AND THAT WE WILL
7 HAVE ADEQUATE STAFFING TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS IN L.A. COUNTY.
8 IT'S VERY IMPORTANT. I ALSO WANT TO CAUTION AGAINST THE RISK
9 OF SOME OF THE THINGS THAT MAY HAPPEN IN THE TRANSITIONAL
10 PROCESS. THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION'S WORK THAT WE ARE
11 PROVIDING IN THE PAIRING INITIATIVE PILOT HAS BEEN GREAT AND
12 HAS CONTINUED TO EVOLVE OUR PROGRAM AND WE ARE VERY GLAD TO BE
13 A PART OF THAT. AND NOT CAUSING CHILDREN TO COME INTO THE
14 SYSTEM, IT HAS PROVIDED A LOT OF BENEFITS. THESE ASSESSMENTS
15 AND TOOLS AND OUR PROFESSIONAL CAREERS THAT WE PROVIDE TO
16 CHILDREN IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE
17 CONTINUE TO GROW. I BELIEVE THAT THE SUPPORT OF TRANSFERRING
18 AND INTEGRATING INTO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH WILL BE
19 BENEFICIAL TO US AS LONG AS WE CONTINUE TO BE AT THE TABLE AND
20 OUR VOICES BE HEARD. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

21

22 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY, NEXT WITNESS? YES, MA'AM.

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24 **KAREN SOLOMON:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS KAREN
25 SOLOMON, AND I AM A SUPERVISING PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE FOR THE



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1 COMPTON, TORRANCE, AND WEST L.A. OFFICES. AS MANY OTHER
2 SUPERVISORS IN THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM AND IN FOSTER CARE, WE
3 SUPERVISE ANYWHERE FROM THREE-PLUS OFFICES. PRESENTLY I AM
4 SUPERVISING 11- PLUS NURSES. AND I AM HERE TODAY IN STRONG
5 SUPPORT FOR THE MOTION FOR A 30-DAY REPORT BACK TO EXAMINE THE
6 VIABILITY OF TRANSFERRING D.C.F.S. P.H.N.S TO D.P.H.
7 PERSONALLY, I BELIEVE THAT D.P.H. IS THE BEST POSSIBLE HOME
8 FOR OUR COLLEAGUE NURSES FROM D.C.F.S., WHERE WE CURRENTLY
9 HAVE A MEDICAL AND NURSING MODEL. SUPERVISORS, IF YOU'VE SEEN
10 ME HERE BEFORE, IT'S BECAUSE I'VE BEEN HERE SEVERAL TIMES THIS
11 YEAR TO REQUEST THAT YOUR BOARD WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
12 PUBLIC HEALTH TO REQUEST THAT YOU UNFREEZE THESE ITEMS, THE
13 FROZEN ITEMS THAT WE HAVE IN PUBLIC HEALTH. SORRY, IN THE
14 HEALTHCARE PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE. FOSTER YOUTH
15 ARE ONE OF THE EIGHT PRIORITIES IN THE HEALTH AGENCY. SO, HOW
16 ARE THEY NOT BEING FUNDED FOR? I FELT COMPELLED TO SPEAK
17 TODAY, BUT I ALSO WANT TO CAUTION TO THE BOARD THAT THE
18 O.C.P., D.P.H. AND SOME OTHER AREAS THAT THE PUBLIC HEALTH
19 NURSES HAVE UNTENABLE CASELOADS THAT THEY ARE SHOULDERING NOW.
20 WE NEED TO DO MORE FOR OUR CHILDREN AND THE CHILDREN. WE
21 REALLY NEED TO HELP THEM. AND -- SORRY. PUTTING US TOGETHER
22 DOES NOT MEAN THAT THESE NET POSITIONS ARE NOT SO NEEDED FOR.
23 WE ALSO NEED SUPERVISORS IN ORDER TO OVERSEE THAT EVERYTHING
24 IS WORKING WELL. I THINK MY TIME IS GOING TO GO OUT, SO LET'S
25 BUILD A STRONGER UNITY. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. ARNOLD SACHS.

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4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. AND I HAVE A COPY
5 OF THIS MOTION THAT WAS MADE JANUARY 13, 2015 LEVERAGING THE
6 COUNTY HEALTH SYSTEM TO PREVENT CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT,
7 RECOMMENDATION OF THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION, INCLUDING
8 RECOMMENDATION TO PAIR A PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE TO THE DEPARTMENT
9 OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES SOCIAL WORKER. AND THERE IS
10 THEN FURTHER DOWN IT SAYS PAIRING A PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE WITH A
11 CHILDREN'S SOCIAL WORKER WHEN CONDUCTING ABUSE AND NEGLECT
12 INVESTIGATIONS FOR ALL CHILDREN UNDER 24 MONTHS OF AGE, REPORT
13 BACK WITH 90 DAYS ON FURTHER MILESTONES, PERFORMANCE OUTCOMES,
14 OPERATIONAL CHANGES, AND ADDITIONAL BOARD ACTIONS. PERFORMANCE
15 OUTCOMES SHOULD INCLUDE AN EVALUATION OF PROGRAM
16 EFFECTIVENESS, BLAH, BLAH, BLAH. WORK WITH THE BOARD TO
17 FINALIZE POLICY AND RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE PROVISIONAL
18 SCREENING. REPORT BACK IS PART OF THE C.E.O.'S RECOMMENDED
19 FISCAL YEAR 2015/16 BUDGET. ON AND ON AND ON. YOU'RE TALKING
20 HERE ON THIS ITEM ABOUT TRANSFERRING, CONSOLIDATING, AND
21 INTEGRATION OF D.C.F.S. NURSES WITH PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES. BUT
22 YOUR ORIGINAL MOTION WAS TO USE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES TO GO
23 VISIT WITH A D.C.F.S. WORKER. SO WHAT ARE YOU INTEGRATING?
24 WHAT ARE YOU CONSOLIDATING? PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES WITH PUBLIC
25 HEALTH NURSE DEPARTMENT? IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE. IT'S WASH,



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1 RINSE, REPEAT. HERE'S A MOTION FROM SHEILA KUEHL ABOUT
2 PROVIDING AN ANALYSIS OF STAFFING LEVELS, BUDGET REQUIRED, AND
3 RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO EXPAND A P.H.N./C.S.W. JOINT VISIT
4 PROGRAM FROM APRIL 14, 2015. HERE'S ANOTHER MOTION THAT SAID
5 YOU HIRED 16 MORE WORKERS. WHAT EXACTLY ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
6 HOW CAN YOU CONSOLIDATE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES WITH PUBLIC
7 HEALTH DEPARTMENT? IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE. ARE THESE D.C.F.S.
8 NURSES? NO. THEY'RE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES. WHY DON'T YOU SAY
9 THAT INSTEAD OF ALL THIS CRAP?

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11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** ERIC PREVEN?

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13 **ERIC PREVEN:** ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT. THANK YOU.
14 SO, MR. SACHS IS NOT WRONG THAT THIS HAS BEEN AROUND. JANUARY
15 2015 AND THEN APRIL, I GUESS, WE STARTED THE PILOT. NOW, THE
16 PILOT REALLY GOT MY ATTENTION, BECAUSE I HEARD SOME INSPIRING
17 NEWS. THIS IS THE PILOT WHERE A PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE GOES OUT
18 WITH THE CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES AND THEY'RE LOOKING AT,
19 ACCORDING TO BROWNING, SLIGHTLY LESS IN THE WAY OF
20 INTERVENTIONS NECESSARY, THAT OTHER SOLUTIONS ARISE. THAT'S
21 INSPIRING BUT CAN'T BE DETERMINED TO BE THE SOLE REASON,
22 BECAUSE IT'S TRUE OF OTHER PLACES WHICH DON'T HAVE THE PILOT,
23 AS WELL, IS WHAT I'VE HEARD. SO, THAT'S INTERESTING. NOW, I
24 REMEMBER GOING BACK BEFORE THE 2015 TO 2013 OR WHATEVER AND
25 MOLINA SITTING IN THE BIG CHAIR WHERE ANTONOVICH WAS SITTING



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1 WAS THROWING HER HANDS UP IN THE AIR AND SAYING: THIS IS
2 OUTRAGEOUS. WE HAVE BEEN TRYING TO GET THESE PUBLIC HEALTH
3 NURSES AND THE D.C.F.S. SOCIAL WORKERS TO COLLABORATE TO WORK
4 TOGETHER, BUT THERE'S A FUNDING PROBLEM. THERE'S A FUNDING
5 PROBLEM AT THE STATE OR AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL, WE CAN'T DO IT.
6 AND EVERYBODY THREW THEMSELVES AROUND, AND THAT WAS YEARS AND
7 YEARS AGO. SO HERE WE ARE. WE'RE MOVING FORWARD. WE HAVE SEEN
8 SOME PROGRESS. THE QUESTION ABOUT FROZEN POSITIONS THAT CAME
9 UP CAUGHT MY ATTENTION, BECAUSE I CERTAINLY HOPE THAT THIS IS
10 NOT AN EFFORT TO DO A BETTER JOB FOR THE CHILDREN AND TO TAKE
11 LESS OF THEM, THEREBY PUTTING THEM INTO THIS SYSTEM THAT CAN
12 BE VERY, VERY DIFFICULT TO GET OUT OF AND CAN BE VERY
13 STRESSFUL ON FAMILIES. I CERTAINLY HOPE THAT THIS IS NOT ABOUT
14 FINDING A WAY TO AUGMENT THE SERVICE THAT WE'RE PROVIDING IN
15 THAT SENSE. EVEN THOUGH NOBODY LOVES LABOR MORE THAN ME,
16 CERTAINLY SUPERVISOR KUEHL, MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS AND HILDA SOLIS
17 ADORE THE LABOR PIECE. AND WE HAVE TO BE SUPPORTIVE AND
18 SUPPORT THE WORKERS TO DO THEIR JOB PROPERLY, BUT I JUST HOPE
19 THAT WE ARE NOT MISSING AN OPPORTUNITY TO NOT TAKE CHILDREN,
20 PUT THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES WHERE THEY ARE FROM IN THE CAR
21 AND HAVE A CHECK AND A BALANCE.

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23 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER?

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1 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, GOOD AFTERNOON. DR. GENEVIEVE
2 CLAVREUL. WELL, I'M GOING TO SPEAK AS AN EXPERT. I AM AN R.N.
3 I'VE BEEN AN R.N. FOR 40 YEARS, AND I WORKED FROM A NURSE'S
4 AIDE TO DIRECTOR OF NURSES AND HEAD OF CORPORATION ON
5 CONSULTING. ONE THING I HEARD TODAY: MANY OF THE NURSES
6 COMPLAINED THEY DON'T HAVE A VOICE. YOU KNOW, MANY YEARS AGO,
7 WE FOUGHT VERY HARD TO CREATE A POSITION OF NURSING DIRECTOR
8 OVER THE ENTIRE NURSING STRUCTURE. IT IS OBVIOUS THOSE NURSES
9 DON'T KNOW THAT. YOU KNOW, EARLIER WHEN YOU BROUGHT THAT ISSUE
10 TO HAVE SOCIAL WORKER AND R.N. WORKING TOGETHER, I WAS OPPOSED
11 TO IT, BECAUSE THOSE ARE TWO DIFFERENT PROFESSIONS HAVING
12 DIFFERENT GOAL. THE GOAL OF THE SOCIAL WORKER AS A RULE -- I
13 COULD BE WRONG WITH THAT, BUT THEY LIKE TO MAKE PEOPLE
14 DEPENDENT FOR A LONG TIME. NURSES LIKE TO TREAT PATIENTS AND
15 GET RID OF THEM. IT'S A DIFFERENT PHILOSOPHY. AND I THINK,
16 LIKE I HAVE SAID, WHAT I HAVE HEARD --

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YOU WOULDN'T HAVE A SLIGHT BIAS, WOULD
19 YOU? [LAUGHTER.]

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21 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** NO, I HAVE A SLIGHT BIAS, BECAUSE LIKE
22 I SAID, I'VE BEEN A DIRECTOR OF NURSES, SO I KNOW WHAT I HAVE
23 TO DO. SOCIAL WORKERS WANT TO KEEP PATIENTS FOREVER, AND THE
24 NURSES WANT TO CURE THEM AND SEND THEM HOME. LIKE I SAID, A
25 DIFFERENT PHILOSOPHY. IT DOESN'T MAKE ONE RIGHT AND ONE WRONG.



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1 IT'S JUST THEY DON'T SEE THE SAME WAY. BUT WHAT I HEARD TODAY
2 IS THAT THE NURSES FEEL THEY DON'T HAVE A VOICE. AND THAT'S
3 EXTREMELY CONCERNING, ESPECIALLY WHERE THAT POSITION WAS
4 CREATED TO HAVE NURSES ANSWERING TO HER. AND AS IT IS NOW,
5 MULTIPLE NURSES ARE BEING REMOVED FROM ANSWERING DIRECTLY TO
6 THAT POSITION. I THINK, PERSONALLY MYSELF, I DON'T SEE THE
7 RESULT OF THAT PILOT PROJECT. I HAVE NO FACTS WHICH TELL ME IF
8 IT'S WORKING OR NOT, AND I WOULD LOVE TO LOOK AT IT PRO BONO
9 TO TELL YOU IF IT'S WORKING OR NOT. THANK YOU.

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11 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

12

13 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG OR
14 JWALSHCONFIDENTIAL, TWEETING @HOLLYWOODDEMS. I'M NOT GOING TO
15 TAKE THE FULL TWO MINUTES. IT'S SIMPLE. PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES,
16 WE HAVE A SHOCKING -- THEY SAID IT THEMSELVES -- SHOCKING LACK
17 OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES. WHO THEY REPORT TO IS NOT THE
18 IMPORTANT THING. THE IMPORTANT THING IS HOW MANY WE HAVE AND
19 WHAT KIND OF JOB THEY'RE DOING. AND I'M TELLING YOU RIGHT NOW
20 THAT ONE OF THE BIG PROBLEMS IS WHEN A PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE
21 WHERE THEY ARE NOW TRIES TO REPORT SOME MISHANDLING OF
22 SOMETHING, THEY ARE SHUT DOWN. YOU WANT -- WHAT YOU'RE TRYING
23 TO DO HERE IS INCREASE THE LACK OF WHISTLE BLOWING AMONG
24 PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES. REMEMBER, UP UNTIL JUST A COUPLE OF
25 MONTHS AGO, VICTIMS OF CHILD ABUSE WERE CALLED CHILD



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1 PROSTITUTES. THAT'S WHAT YOU CALLED THEM.

2 HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG. TAKE BACK YOUR 47 SECONDS.

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME CHAIR?

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6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, IN LIGHT OF SOME OF THE TESTIMONY, MAYBE AS
9 PART OF THAT REPORT BACK IN THE MOTION, THAT WE COULD ASK THE
10 C.E.O. TO SORT OF LOOK AT THE AVERAGE CASELOAD IN ALL OF THE
11 OFFICES, AS WELL, INCLUDING THOSE ASSIGNED TO D.C.F.S. AND
12 REPORT BACK TO US TO SEE HOW WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO ASSIST THAT
13 OR WORK WITH THAT. IF THE MAKER OF THE MOTION WOULD CONCUR, I
14 WOULD ADD THAT AS PART OF THE REPORT BACK.

15

16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THAT'S FINE. I'M OKAY WITH THAT. I
17 MEAN, THEIR TESTIMONY FROM THE NURSES ACTUALLY CAUSES US TO BE
18 REMINDED OF WHAT THEIR CASELOAD LOOKS LIKE, AND HAVING THAT
19 UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION NOW, ESPECIALLY WITH THE BLUE RIBBON
20 COMMISSION IMPLEMENTATION, KIND OF SEE ALL THAT.

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22 **SUP. KNABE:** AND THAT IMPLEMENTATION, YEAH, AND SOME OF THOSE
23 POSITIONS BEING FROZEN, I THINK WE NEED TO LOOK AT IT VERY
24 SERIOUSLY.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** OKAY. VERY GOOD. OKAY, SO, WE'LL
2 ACCEPT THAT AS KIND OF A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT THERE, THEN. IF
3 THERE IS NO OBJECTION OR ANY OTHER COMMENTS, THEN I'LL MOVE
4 IT. SECONDED BY KUEHL. AND LET'S MOVE FORWARD. THANK YOU.
5 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. OKAY. WE NOW MOVE ON TO ITEM NO.
6 7, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MADAME CHAIR, IT'S ALWAYS A GOOD THING
9 WHEN WE MAKE NURSES HAPPY. JUST SAYING. I HAVE TO GET A WORD
10 IN EARLY, YEAH. NEVER KNOW WHEN YOU NEED ONE, SO WE WANT THEM
11 TO BE JUST HAPPY. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE, FOR YOUR
12 WISDOM. FOR YOUR WISDOM. MAY I SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING REGARDING
13 THE MOTION ON CRITICAL INCIDENT PROTOCOLS FOR PROBATION. IT IS
14 A PRIORITY OF THE BOARD THAT WE DO ALL THAT WE CAN TO MAKE
15 SURE THOSE WHO ARE IN OUR CUSTODY IN CARE ARE TREATED AS THEY
16 SHOULD BE, CONSISTENT WITH THE LAW AND CONSISTENT WITH BASIC
17 PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES OF DECENCY. AND SO REFORMING OUR
18 JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM REMAINS A BIG, BIG CHALLENGE FOR THE
19 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THE RECORD IS CLEAR IN TERMS OF HOW
20 MUCH WORK HAS BEEN DONE TO DATE OVER THE PAST DECADE-PLUS. AND
21 YET WE FIND OURSELVES CONFRONTED WITH RECENT ALLEGATIONS THAT
22 WE CANNOT AND WILL NOT IGNORE. THE THRUST OF THIS MOTION IS
23 ESSENTIALLY TO CAUSE US TO DRILL DOWN YET AGAIN AND ESTABLISH
24 A PROTOCOL THAT DEALS WITH CRITICAL INCIDENTS THAT EVERYONE
25 UNDERSTANDS AND THAT WE ALL ARE COMMITTED TO. TO THE EXTENT



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1 THAT WE CAN ACCOMPLISH THAT, I THINK IT'S A PIECE OF THIS
2 LARGER PUZZLE OF REFORM, SYSTEMIC REFORM. THE MOTION IS BEFORE
3 US, BECAUSE I AM CONFIDENT THAT WE MUST REMAIN VIGILANT. SOME
4 OF US, QUITE FRANKLY, ARE FRUSTRATED WITH THE DEGREE TO WHICH
5 THESE MATTERS APPEAR, RE-APPEAR, AND THEN APPEAR AGAIN. SO
6 THERE'S SOMETHING DIFFERENT THAT WE MUST DO. MIGHT I SIMPLY
7 SAY, STAY TUNED. MADAME CHAIR?

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THIS ITEM HAS BEEN -- AMENDMENT?
10 THERE'S NO AMENDMENT. I'M SORRY. SECONDED. IT'S BEEN MOVED AND
11 SECONDED. WE HAVE PUBLIC SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM, ARNOLD SACHS
12 AND JOHN WALSH.

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14 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. AND I FIND THE
15 OPERATIVE PHRASE IN THAT LITTLE PRESENTATION "YET AGAIN."
16 MAYBE YOU SHOULD CHECK INTO SOME CIVIL SERVICE ALTERATIONS
17 THAT WOULD ALLOW SOME DIFFERENT OUTCOMES. BUT WHAT ACTUALLY
18 CAUGHT MY MIND IN THIS ITEM, AND THEN I JUST KNEW IT WAS ALL
19 DOWNHILL, A DEFINITION OF WHAT CONSTITUTES A CRITICAL VERSUS A
20 NONCRITICAL INCIDENT AND WHEN AND HOW THAT DETERMINATION IS
21 MADE. YOU'RE ASKING FOR A REPORT BACK ON THAT. SO I'M
22 WONDERING: MAYBE YOU WERE USING ROCK, PAPER, SCISSORS TO
23 DECIDE PRIOR TO THAT, TO DETERMINE CRITICAL VERSUS
24 NONCRITICAL. THIS IS THE STORY FROM THE L.A. TIMES REGARDING
25 THE DEPARTMENT BEING ON FEDERAL OVERSIGHT THAT JUST ENDED. AND



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1 SO, WHEN YOU'RE UNDER FEDERAL OVERSIGHT, I WAS THINKING: YOU
2 MEAN THEY'RE UNDER FEDERAL OVERSIGHT AND THEY HAVE NO IDEA
3 WHAT A CRITICAL VERSUS A NONCRITICAL INCIDENT IS? HOW DO YOU
4 DETERMINE THAT? ROCK, PAPER, SCISSORS. AS GOOD AS ANY. HOW DO
5 YOU DO THAT, SUPERVISOR KNABE? YOU'VE BEEN ON THE SUPERVISOR.
6 YOU'VE BEEN A SUPERVISOR. YOU'VE BEEN ON THE BOARD FOR 22
7 YEARS, 30 YEARS. YOU'RE OUT THE DOOR. YOU THINK IT'S ABOUT
8 TIME YOU ACTUALLY DID SOMETHING? I DON'T KNOW. OCTOBER 31,
9 2008, THE COUNTY ENTERED INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH
10 THE D.O.J. REGARDING THE DEPARTMENT -- COUNTY'S PROBATION
11 DEPARTMENT. ON DECEMBER 31ST, THE DEPARTMENT ACHIEVED FULL
12 COMPLIANCE. WHAT DOES THAT MEAN? AND YOU'RE COMING BACK NOW IN
13 2016 TO ASK ALL THESE QUESTIONS? YET AGAIN, THE VERY IMPORTANT
14 OPERATIVE WORDS, YET AGAIN.

15

16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER.

17

18 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG. OR
19 JWALSH CONFIDENTIAL TWEETING @HOLLYWOODDEMS. IT'S OUT OF
20 CONTROL AT THE CAMPS. IT'S OUT OF CONTROL AT THE JUVENILE
21 HALLS. THE GANGS RUN THE SYSTEM. AND YOU'RE NOT GOING BELIEVE
22 THIS, BUT I'VE HEARD THIS. THE PRICE FOR HEROIN AND ALL THESE
23 OPIOIDS AT JUVENILE HALL AND AT THE CAMPS IS LOWER THAN ON THE
24 STREET. AND YOU CAN MAKE DEALS IN THE CAMPS FOR BETTER QUALITY
25 NARCOTICS THAN WHAT'S ON THE STREET. SO THERE ARE ACTUAL



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1 PEOPLE WHO GET ARRESTED SO THEY COULD GET ACCESS TO BETTER
2 NARCOTICS AND BUY BETTER NARCOTICS AT CHEAPER PRICES AND
3 ESTABLISH DEALS BY GETTING ARRESTED PURPOSELY SO THEY CAN GO
4 INTO THE SYSTEM AND GET DISCOUNTS ON THE DRUGS. THAT'S HOW BAD
5 IT IS IN THE SYSTEM NOW. AND YOU DON'T GIVE A DAMN, JUST AS
6 LONG AS YOUR FRIENDS ARE THE SUPERVISORS, GET THE IMPORTANT
7 JOBS THERE. IN OTHER WORDS, ANYBODY OUT THERE WHO'S LOOKING
8 FOR A BARGAIN IN HEROIN, GET ARRESTED AND YOU WILL BE ABLE TO
9 BUY HEROIN, GOOD-QUALITY HEROIN AT ROCK BOTTOM PRICES THROUGH
10 THE COUNTY. AND OF COURSE, THE PRISON GUARDS ARE GETTING THEIR
11 PIECE. HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.

12

13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THIS ITEM IS BEFORE US. IT'S BEEN
14 MOVED AND SECONDED. IS THERE ANY OPPOSITION? WITHOUT
15 OBJECTION, THEN, SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER. MOVING ON TO ITEM 11.
16 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HELD THIS ITEM. A.Q.M.D.? DO WE HAVE A
17 REPRESENTATIVE FROM A.Q.M.D.? WELCOME.

18

19 **PHILIP FINE:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
20 BOARD. MY NAME IS PHILIP FINE. I'M THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE
21 OFFICER AT THE SOUTH COAST AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT IN
22 THE PLANNING AND RULES DIVISION AND GLAD FOR THE OPPORTUNITY
23 TO TALK ABOUT ONE OF THE GREATEST CHALLENGES OUR REGION FACES,
24 WHICH IS ACHIEVING CLEAN AIR IN OUR REGION. AND I WANT TO
25 THANK THE BOARD FOR THEIR INTEREST AND WELCOME THEIR INPUT ON



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1 OUR PLAN. WE WELCOME THE INPUT NOT ONLY OF THIS BOARD BUT OF
2 ALL THE STAKEHOLDERS, INCLUDING ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS,
3 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE COMMUNITIES, ALL OUR RESIDENTS, AS WELL
4 AS THE BUSINESS OF COMMUNITY. I WANT TO EMPHASIZE THE PLAN
5 THAT WE RELEASED ABOUT A MONTH AGO IS A DRAFT PLAN. IT'S PART
6 OF A LONG PUBLIC PROCESS OF OVER THREE YEARS, INVOLVES A
7 WORKING GROUP OF OVER 50 STAKEHOLDERS, AND THERE'S STILL MANY
8 OPPORTUNITIES TO INCORPORATE CHANGES INTO THE PLAN TO
9 STRENGTHEN THE PLAN. WE'RE RECEIVING SUCH COMMENTS AND WE'RE
10 MAKING THOSE TYPES OF CHANGES AS WE SPEAK. SO WE LOOK FORWARD
11 TO BRIEFING THE BOARD FURTHER, BRIEFING THE STAFF AT THE
12 COUNTY WHENEVER REQUESTED. BUT THERE ARE A COUPLE ASPECTS IN
13 THE PLAN AND IN THE PUBLIC AND PRESS REACTION OF THE PLAN THAT
14 I WANTED TO ADDRESS TODAY. ONE OF THOSE ASPECTS IS THIS NOTION
15 THAT WE HAVE SOMEHOW ABANDONED THE REGULATORY APPROACH IN OUR
16 AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN. I WANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT MOST OF
17 THE EMISSION REDUCTIONS THAT ARE NEEDED FOR ATTAINMENT OF THE
18 CLEAN AIR QUALITY STANDARDS ARE DUE TO STRINGENT REGULATIONS
19 THAT HAVE BEEN PASSED TO DATE OVER THE PAST 5 TO 10 YEARS. AND
20 WE'RE STILL GOING TO SEE IMMENSE BENEFITS FROM THOSE
21 REGULATIONS OVER THE NEXT 7 TO 15 YEARS. WE GET ABOUT A 50- TO
22 60-PERCENT REDUCTION IN NITROGEN OXIDE EMISSIONS OVER THAT
23 PERIOD, AND THAT'S DUE TO TOUGH AND STRINGENT PLANS THAT WE
24 HAVE ALREADY PASSED AT THE LOCAL LEVEL AS WELL AS HAVE BEEN
25 PASSED AT THE STATE LEVEL. SO LIKE PAST PLANS, THIS CURRENT



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1 PLAN BUILDS ON THESE PAST STRATEGIES, ALTHOUGH WE DO HAVE
2 LIMITED MOBILE SOURCE AUTHORITY. AS A LOCAL REGIONAL AIR
3 QUALITY AGENCY, THE PRIMARY AUTHORITY FOR MOBILE SOURCES,
4 WHICH ACCOUNT FOR THE VAST MAJORITY OF OUR EMISSIONS
5 THROUGHOUT THE STATE AND FEDERAL LEVEL. BUT THERE'S NO
6 RELAXATION IN THIS PLAN. IT IS AN AGGRESSIVE PLAN AND IS
7 REGULATORY IN NATURE. AND YOU LOOK AT THIS PLAN VERSUS PAST
8 PLANS, IT HAS THE SAME MAGNITUDE OF ADDITIONAL REDUCTIONS ON A
9 REGULATORY BASIS, ON OUR STATIONARY SOURCES AS PAST PLANS.
10 EVERYTHING THAT IS FEASIBLE ON OUR STATIONARY SOURCES AND TO
11 SOME EXTENT OUR MOBILE SOURCES IS ALREADY INCLUDED IN THE
12 PLAN. AND LIKE PAST PLANS, THAT LEAVES A GAP. IN PAST PLANS,
13 THAT GAP HAS BEEN WHAT WE CALLED THE BLACK BOX, AND WE DO NOT
14 SPECIFY HOW WE'RE GOING TO ACHIEVE THOSE LAST BIT OF EMISSION
15 REDUCTIONS TO REACH ATTAINMENT. THE DIFFERENCE IN THIS PLAN IS
16 WE'RE BEING HONEST ABOUT WHAT IT'S GOING TO TAKE TO FILL THAT
17 GAP AND ACHIEVE CLEAN AIR IN THE BASIN. SO PAST PLANS HAVE PUT
18 OFF THOSE TOUCHY QUESTIONS, THOSE TOUGH QUESTIONS, AND THOSE
19 REALITIES. THIS PLAN ACTUALLY IS PUTTING A PRICE TAG ON WHAT
20 IT'S ACTUALLY GOING TO TAKE TO ACHIEVE CLEAN AIR IN OUR BASIN.
21 AND THAT'S WHERE THE INCENTIVE COMES IN THAT WAS MENTIONED IN
22 THE MOTION. IT DOES TAKE INCENTIVES TO FILL THAT GAP, BECAUSE
23 WHEN YOU HAVE NOTHING ELSE FEASIBLE, THEN THESE INCENTIVES CAN
24 BECOME PRODUCTIVE IN GETTING THERE. IT'S NOT A NEW CONCEPT.
25 IT'S BEEN DISCUSSED OVER THE PAST THREE YEARS. THE RELEASE OF



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1 THE PLAN WAS THE CULMINATION OF A PUBLIC PROCESS. THE ONLY NEW
2 THING IN THIS PLAN VERSUS PREVIOUS PLANS IS WE'RE HAVING AN
3 OPEN AND HONEST DISCUSSION OF WHAT IT'S GOING TO TAKE TO
4 ACHIEVE CLEAN AIR. FINALLY, THE PLAN DOES NOT ENTIRELY RELY ON
5 PURELY ON FEDERAL FUNDING TO GET TO CLEAN AIR. WE'RE LOOKING
6 AT ALL SOURCES OF INCOME, RAISING THE MONEY, WHETHER IT'S AT
7 STATE LEVEL, LOCAL LEVEL, THE INDUSTRIAL COMMUNITY. WHEREVER
8 THE MONEY CAN BE RAISED IS SOMETHING WE'RE LOOKING AT AND HOPE
9 TO WORK WITH OUR STATE AND FEDERAL PARTNERS AS WELL AS OUR
10 LOCAL PARTNERS TO IDENTIFY THAT FUNDING. HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY
11 QUESTIONS.

12

13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** YES, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

14

15 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** WHAT ARE THE REGIONAL BENEFITS THAT
16 ARE TO BE EXPECTED AS A RESULT OF THE STRATEGIES OUTLINED IN
17 THIS PLAN?

18

19 **PHILIP FINE:** WELL, WE KNOW THAT POOR AIR QUALITY IN OUR REGION
20 ACCOUNTS FOR OVER 3,000 PREMATURE DEATHS A YEAR. SO ACHIEVING
21 THE STANDARDS WILL SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE THAT. AND THERE'S ALSO
22 A HUGE NUMBER OF LOST WORK DAYS, LOST SCHOOL DAYS, AND
23 HEALTHCARE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH DIRTY AIR. IT WILL ALSO
24 REDUCE TOXIC RISK IN OUR MOST VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES THAT LIVE
25 ALONG OUR MOBILE SOURCE CORRIDORS, OUR GOODS MOVEMENT



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1 CORRIDORS, SO THOSE COMMUNITIES THAT LIVE NEXT TO FREEWAYS,
2 RAIL YARDS AND THE PORTS, IF WE CAN CLEAN UP THE VEHICLES ON
3 THE ROAD, ESPECIALLY THE HEAVY-DUTY TRUCKS AND THE TRAINS AND
4 THE SHIPS, THERE WILL BE GREAT REDUCTION IN CANCER RISK TO
5 THOSE MOST VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES.

6

7 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** SO, THAT'S THE REDUCTION IN THE
8 GREENHOUSE EMISSIONS?

9

10 **PHILIP FINE:** YES. SO, A LOT OF THE MEASURES WE'RE PROPOSING
11 AND ARE PROPOSED AT THE STATE LEVEL TO IMPROVE AIR QUALITY ARE
12 ALSO THE SAME TYPES OF MEASURES YOU WOULD LOOK AT TO REDUCE
13 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS.

14

15 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** AND WHAT AMOUNT OF REDUCTION DOES THE
16 PLAN PROPOSE FOR STATIONARY SOURCES, INCLUDING OIL REFINERIES,
17 POWER PLANTS, AND MAJOR MANUFACTURING FACILITIES?

18

19 **PHILIP FINE:** SO, WE HAVE A CAP-AND-TRADE PROGRAM REGIONALLY
20 FOR NITROGEN OXIDE EMISSIONS THAT OUR TOP 270 INDUSTRIAL
21 FACILITIES TAKE PART IN. THAT IS OUR POWER PLANTS, OUR
22 REFINERIES AND, AGAIN, OUR LARGER INDUSTRIAL SOURCES. OUR
23 BOARD PASSED A 45-PERCENT REDUCTION IN NOX EMISSION THAT WILL
24 OCCUR OVER THE NEXT 6 OR 7 YEARS, AND THIS PLAN PROPOSES AN



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1 ADDITIONAL 35 PERCENT REDUCTION ON TOP OF THAT OVER THE NEXT 9
2 YEARS AFTER THAT.

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4 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** SO ARE THESE INCENTIVES THAT ARE IN
5 THE A.Q.M.P. A NEW CONCEPT FOR QUALITY PLANS?

6

7 **PHILIP FINE:** NO, WE'VE BEEN USING INCENTIVES IN PLANS AND IN
8 IMPLEMENTATION OF OUR PLANS FOR MANY, MANY YEARS. THE
9 DIFFERENCE HERE, INSTEAD OF PUTTING OFF THE TOUGH QUESTIONS
10 AND NOT SPECIFYING HOW MUCH IT'S ACTUALLY GOING TO COST TO THE
11 GET THERE, SINCE THERE'S ONLY 7 YEARS AWAY FOR OUR FIRST
12 ATTAINMENT DEADLINE, WE WANT TO HAVE THE OPEN AND HONEST
13 DISCUSSION ABOUT THE ACTUAL COSTS.

14

15 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** AND DOES THIS PROPOSED A.Q.M.P. MEET
16 OUR CLEAN AIR GOALS AND PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH?

17

18 **PHILIP FINE:** IF WE IMPLEMENT THIS A.Q.M.P. AS PROPOSED AND WE
19 WERE ABLE TO RAISE THE FUNDING NECESSARY TO PROVIDE THE
20 INCENTIVES TO SMALL BUSINESSES AND TRUCK OWNERS TO CHANGE OUT
21 TO THE CLEANEST NEAR-ZERO-EMISSION EQUIPMENT, WE WILL ACHIEVE
22 THE CLEAN-AIR GOALS THAT HAVE LONG BEEN THOUGHT IMPOSSIBLE FOR
23 OUR REGION TO MEET.

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1 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** SO, WHAT IS AT STAKE IF WE DON'T MOVE
2 FORWARD WITH THIS IS THE LOSS OF LOCAL TRANSPORTATION DOLLARS
3 FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT?

4

5 **PHILIP FINE:** YES. IF WE DO NOT HAVE A PLAN, APPROVABLE PLAN
6 THAT'S APPROVED BY E.P.A. TO MEET ATTAINMENT, WE COULD LOSE
7 BILLIONS OF DOLLARS A YEAR IN FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION FUNDING.
8 AND AGAIN, I DIDN'T MENTION EARLIER THAT WHAT WE THINK IT WILL
9 COST TO ACHIEVE CLEAN AIR IS APPROXIMATELY A BILLION DOLLARS A
10 YEAR OVER THE NEXT 7 TO 15 YEARS, ALTHOUGH WE THINK WITH A
11 CLEVER APPLICATION OF THAT FUNDING, WE CAN GET THE COST DOWN.

12

13 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

16

17 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. MR. FINE, THANK
18 YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. I BELIEVE I HEARD YOU SAY
19 THAT REGULATION HAD WORKED VERY WELL FOR US IN THE PAST, THAT
20 WE'VE HAD SIGNIFICANT REDUCTION IN EMISSIONS? THIS PROPOSED
21 PLAN IS CALLING FOR COMMENTS, AND ESSENTIALLY WHAT THIS MOTION
22 DOES IS TO ASK THIS BOARD TO MAKE COMMENT ABOUT THE PROPOSED
23 PLAN. MY ASSESSMENT OF IT, AND I DID CHAIR A COUPLE OF
24 COMMITTEES IN SACRAMENTO THAT LOOKED AT THIS OVER TIME, IS
25 THAT THIS PLAN ACTUALLY DOES, CONTRARY TO WHAT YOU SAID TO US,



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1 REALLY MOVE AWAY FROM REGULATORY APPROACHES -- YOU SAID IT
2 DOESN'T -- BECAUSE WE'VE REGULATED IN THE PAST AND THOSE
3 REGULATIONS WILL CONTINUE. BUT THIS PLAN ACTUALLY ADOPTS A
4 DIFFERENT KIND OF APPROACH TO MOBILE SOURCES, WHICH YOU
5 INDICATED YOU DO NOT HAVE AS MUCH REGULATORY AUTHORITY OVER,
6 BY PROPOSING -- WELL, ALMOST TOTALLY RELYING ON FINANCIAL
7 INCENTIVES TO POLLUTERS; THAT IS, PEOPLE WHO DRIVE CARS THAT
8 BURN GAS TO CHANGE TO OTHER KINDS OF CARS. BUT IT IS A CHOICE
9 NOT TO EXTEND THE REGULATORY AUTHORITY THAT THE BOARD HAS IN
10 ORDER TO ACHIEVE LOWER EMISSIONS. AS SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HAS
11 ASKED YOU, IF WE WERE TO MAGICALLY GET THE MONEY, ABOUT WHICH
12 THERE'S NO PLAN AT THE MOMENT IN THE PLAN, TO PAY INCENTIVES
13 TO PEOPLE TO CHANGE TO ELECTRIC CARS OR NATURAL GAS BUSES OR
14 WHATEVER, WERE WE TO MAGICALLY GET THAT MONEY, THEN, YES,
15 THERE WOULD BE A REDUCTION IN EMISSIONS. BUT I DON'T THINK THE
16 PLAN DOES THAT. THE PLAN SIMPLY SAYS: I KNOW WHAT WE SHOULD
17 DO. WE SHOULD TRY TO IDENTIFY FUNDS SO THAT WE CAN OFFER
18 INCENTIVES TO PEOPLE DRIVING THESE CARS RATHER THAN REGULATE
19 FURTHER ON THE STATIONARY SOURCES OR AS MUCH AS WE CAN IN
20 TERMS OF WHAT WE CAN DO ABOUT MOBILE SOURCES. SO THIS MOTION
21 SIMPLY SAYS TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA A.Q.M.D. THAT WE WOULD LOVE
22 TO HAVE YOU WORK WITH STATE AND FEDERAL AGENCIES TO ADOPT A
23 PLAN THAT WILL MEANINGFULLY IMPROVE AIR QUALITY WITH
24 REGULATORY CONTROL MEASURES THAT ARE ACHIEVABLE USING
25 AVAILABLE OR KNOWN RESOURCES INSTEAD OF ADOPTING THE CURRENT



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1 PROPOSAL THAT PREDOMINANTLY RELIES ON SECURING BILLIONS OF
2 DOLLARS NOT IDENTIFIED IN ORDER TO PAY PEOPLE TO MAYBE
3 TRANSITION TO CLEANER VEHICLES. SO I THINK THAT ACTUALLY IS
4 THE WRONG TACK FOR A.Q.M.P. TO TAKE, AND THAT'S WHY I'VE ASKED
5 THE BOARD TO SEND A LETTER SAYING WE PREFER WHAT YOU'VE DONE
6 IN THE PAST, WHICH HAS PROVEN SO SUCCESSFUL, TO EXTEND THE
7 REGULATORY AUTHORITY THAT YOU HAVE RATHER THAN SAYING IF WE
8 COULD FIND THE MONEY ANYWHERE, WE'D LOVE TO GIVE YOU SOME
9 MONEY, SUPERVISOR, TO CHANGE FROM YOUR OLD PORSCHE WHICH BURNS
10 GAS TO A NEW ELECTRIC CAR. SO I HOPE THAT WE WILL ADOPT THIS
11 MOTION TO ENCOURAGE A.Q.M.D. TO STICK TO WHAT HAS WORKED, NOT
12 TO RELY ON UNIDENTIFIED FUNDS TO SAY I THINK WE'D RATHER TAKE
13 THE CARROT APPROACH.

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15 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I WANT TO JUST CHIME IN BECAUSE I
16 KNOW OVER THE COURSE OF THE LAST YEAR, WE'VE HAD MUCH
17 DISCUSSION AND WE'VE SEEN IT THE MEDIA REGARDING A.Q.M.D. AND
18 THE DIRECTION THEY'RE TAKING. I HAVE A LOT OF CONCERNS THAT
19 DATE BACK MAYBE DECADES THAT SOME OF THE REGULATORY PROVISIONS
20 THAT YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO UPHOLD HAVEN'T BEEN STRONGLY MONITORED
21 AND IMPLEMENTED. AND ALL I HAVE TO DO IS LOOK IN MY OWN
22 DISTRICT, EXIDE, THE VERNON PLANT, NOW KEMETCO, OTHER ISSUES
23 THAT CONTINUE TO PLAGUE SOME OF OUR AREAS. AND A.Q.M.D. HAS A
24 MONITORING ROLE THERE. I KNOW THEY'RE DOING SOME WORK AND WE
25 HAVE SEEN SOME CHANGES BUT NOT QUITE AS READILY AS I WOULD



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1 LIKE TO SEE, ESPECIALLY IN LOW-INCOME AND ENVIRONMENTAL-
2 JUSTICE COMMUNITIES. SO I THINK THAT I AGREE WITH SUPERVISOR
3 KUEHL THAT WE HAVE TO SEND A STRONGER MESSAGE, THAT WE WOULD
4 LIKE TO SEE MORE FOCUS ON WHERE WE COULD REALLY MAKE A
5 DIFFERENCE AND NOT JUST GIVE PLATITUDES AND INCENTIVES BUT
6 ACTUALLY MAKE A DIFFERENCE. I THINK THAT A.Q.M.D., THE NEW
7 MAKEUP OF THE BOARD CAUSES SOME OF US SOME HEARTBURN, TO SAY
8 THE LEAST. BUT HOPEFULLY THAT MESSAGE WILL BE TAKEN BACK
9 TODAY. THANK YOU. WE HAVE SOME SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM. WE HAVE
10 RUTH SARNOFF, ARNOLD SACHS AND JOHN WALSH.

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12 **RUTH SARNOFF:** RUTH SARNOFF. I FIND IT ALMOST INCOMPREHENSIBLE
13 THAT THIS WHOLE DISCUSSION HAS TAKEN PLACE THUS FAR WITHOUT
14 MENTION OF OUR RESPONSIBILITIES AROUND CLIMATE CHANGE AND
15 AROUND THE ISSUES OF FRACKING AND AIR QUALITY, THE COAL
16 REFINERIES, MANY STATIONARY SOURCES, CERTAINLY THE PORT AND A
17 LOT OF -- THROUGHOUT THE STATE, THE OCEANS NOW ARE BECOMING
18 ACIDIFIED AND THE BAD AIR IS AFFECTING THE QUALITY OF LIFE AND
19 THE OCEAN. SO IF YOU PEOPLE WANT TO STAY, I MEAN, WE ONLY HAVE
20 ONE PLANET. WE DON'T HAVE A PLANET B. WE DON'T HAVE A PLAN B,
21 EITHER. AND I THINK THAT WHAT REALLY WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HERE
22 IS WHETHER WE'RE GOING TO FAST TRACK, WHETHER WE'RE GOING TO
23 LOOK AND SEE WHETHER THE STANDARDS FOR WHAT'S DECENT QUALITY
24 AIR OR SOIL OR WATER OR ANYTHING ELSE IN OUR COMMUNITIES, AND
25 THEY'RE ALL PRETTY INTERRELATED. AND WHEN YOU HAVE BAD AIR,



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1 YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE BAD SOIL. AND WHEN YOU HAVE BAD SOIL,
2 YOU'RE PROBABLY GOING TO HAVE SOME BAD AIR. THEY KIND OF GO
3 TOGETHER. AND I DON'T SEE ANY SYNERGISTIC KIND OF APPROACH TO
4 LOOKING AT HOW TO DO THIS. AND I CERTAINLY DON'T -- AND I'M
5 ASSUMING WE'RE TALKING ABOUT D.T.S.C., D.O.G.G.R., STATE
6 E.P.A., AND, WHO ELSE, I DON'T KNOW, TO REGULATE. BUT WE ALL
7 KNOW THAT EXIDE EXISTED UNDER ANOTHER NAME FOR A LONG TIME WAY
8 BEFORE D.T.S.C. EVEN EXISTED. SO WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE
9 QUALITY OF OVERSIGHT IN ABILITIES. I'VE GONE OVER MY TIME. I
10 WOULD ASK AT THIS TIME IF I COULD, BECAUSE I DO NEED TO LEAVE
11 -- I'VE BEEN IN TOWN SINCE EARLY THIS MORNING AT POLICE
12 COMMISSION. I HAVE A LOT OF ISSUES AROUND THAT -- THAT I GET A
13 CHANCE TO TAKE A MINUTE OF PUBLIC COMMENT HERE, AND NOT TWO
14 MINUTES, TO RAISE A COUPLE THINGS, BECAUSE I WOULD REALLY LIKE
15 TO LEAVE AND PUBLIC COMMENT IS STUCK FOR HOURS.

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17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I'M SORRY. IF I DO THAT, THEN WE'RE
18 GOING TO HAVE TO SWITCH EVERYBODY ELSE AROUND. THANK YOU.

19

20 **RUTH SARNOFF:** OKAY. IF YOU HAVE SOME SENSE, THEN WILL YOU AT
21 LEAST ANNOUNCE HOW LONG YOU EXPECT BEFORE PUBLIC COMMENT TO
22 GIVE US SOME SENSE, BECAUSE WE KNOW YOU'RE GOING --

23

24 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MAYBE 20, 30 MINUTES? OKAY, ABOUT. IT
25 DEPENDS ON WHO SPEAKS. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.



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2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON AGAIN. ARNOLD

3 SACHS. AND THE SPEAKER FOR THE A.Q.M.D. MENTIONED A COUPLE

4 THINGS. YOU MENTIONED CAP-AND-TRADE. THERE WAS A STORY IN THE

5 NEWSPAPER ABOUT THE STATE'S ABILITY WITH ITS CAP-AND-TRADE

6 THAT ONLY SELL 11 PERCENT OF WHAT IS EXACTLY EXPECTED. SO HOW

7 DID A.Q.M.D. DO WITH ITS CAP-AND-TRADE SALES REGARDING

8 FUNDING? AND YOU'LL LOSE BILLIONS WITHOUT A PLAN. HERE'S THAT

9 MAGIC NUMBER, LOSING BILLIONS WITHOUT A PLAN. THANK GOODNESS

10 YOU HAVE A PLAN, BECAUSE NOW YOU HAVE BILLIONS. WELL, IF YOU

11 HAD BILLIONS, WHY DO YOU NEED A HALF-CENT SALES TAX FOR

12 TRANSPORTATION? WHICH REMINDS ME OF SOMETHING YOU SAID, MS.

13 KUEHL, ABOUT RELYING ON UNIDENTIFIED FUNDS. YOU JUST SPENT AN

14 HOUR OR MORE TALKING ABOUT A HALF-CENT SALES TAX THAT IS GOING

15 TO RAISE \$120 BILLION OVER THE NEXT 40 YEARS, WHEN EVERY PIECE

16 OF EVIDENCE, EVERY SHRED OF DOCUMENTATION THAT'S BEEN

17 DEVELOPED BY THE AGENCY THAT YOU'RE GETTING THIS HALF-CENT

18 SALES TAX MEANS NOTHING, MEANS IT'S ABSOLUTELY FANTASY. IT

19 MEANS YOU'RE SUCKING ON NITROUS OXIDE FOR YOUR IDEAS. HOW CAN

20 YOU COME UP AND SAY THAT YOU'RE PLANNING ON FANTASY FUNDS WHEN

21 YOU'RE APPROVING A PLAN THAT INVOLVES FANTASY FUNDS? WELL, YOU

22 KNOW, IT'S LIKE CONSOLIDATING NURSES BACK TO A DEPARTMENT THAT

23 THEY ALREADY CAME FROM. WASH, RINSE, REPEAT, WHICH IS THE

24 MANTRA FOR THIS COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. IT WOULD BE NICE

25 IF WE HAD SOME MEMBERS ON THE A.Q.M.D. WHO WERE CONCERNED,



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1 BECAUSE EVERY NEWSPAPER ARTICLE THAT YOU'VE READ HAS BEEN
2 OPPOSITE OF WHAT WAS PRESENTED HERE AND MORE OF A PROBLEM. AND
3 YOU MENTIONED EXIDE FOR 20 YEARS. TEAM EX-LAX.

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5 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG OR
6 JWALSHCONFIDENTIAL TWEETING @HOLLYWOODDEMS. THIS CONCERNS THE
7 AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN AND YOUR HAND IN THIS. THE AIR IN
8 L.A. IS NEAR UNBREATHABLE. IT IS CAUSING, WE HAVE A MUCH
9 HIGHER RATE OF LUNG CANCER THAN ANY OTHER MAJOR CITY IN
10 AMERICA. [COUGHING.] I JUST WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT YOU ARE
11 ACTUALLY DOING... [COUGHING.] ...NOT A BAD JOB. [HACKING.]
12 THANK YOU. GOODBYE. [HACKING.]

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14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** I HOPE YOU'RE PROUD OF YOURSELF.
15 MEMBERS, WE'RE GOING TO NOW TURN TO SPECIAL ITEMS AND
16 ADJOURNMENTS. AND TODAY WE START OFF WITH DISTRICT 1? OH, I'M
17 SORRY. WE'RE GOING TO VOTE ON THIS ITEM. HE DISGUSTED ME. I
18 JUST WANTED TO MOVE ON. OKAY, IT'S BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED.
19 AND ONE ABSTENTION, AS NOTED, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. VERY
20 GOOD. THANK YOU. SOMETIMES. THESE MEETINGS, THEY'RE VERY
21 INTERESTING. SO, WITH THAT, I'M GOING TO MOVE, MEMBERS, THAT
22 TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF NICOLASA HERNANDEZ. NICOLASA WAS
23 BORN ON DECEMBER 4, 1927 IN MEXICO. SHE PASSED AWAY LAST
24 MONDAY, JULY 25, 2016 IN PASADENA. SHE WAS 89 YEARS OF AGE.
25 MS. HERNANDEZ WAS BELOVED BY ALL OF HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS.



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1 SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER ANTONIA HERNANDEZ AND A HOST OF
2 FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WHO WILL MISS HER DEARLY. I ALSO
3 MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ROGER
4 LEWIS. MR. LEWIS WAS BORN ON DECEMBER 9, 1942 AND PASSED AWAY
5 JULY 23RD AT THE AGE OF 74. ROGER SERVED THE CITY OF LOS
6 ANGELES AS AN OFFICER OF THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT. HE
7 WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HIS SON RICHARD LEWIS. MR. LEWIS IS
8 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE CORINNE AND CHILDREN DEBBY, RODNEY, JEFF
9 AND HIS WIFE VIOLET, GRANDCHILDREN, JUSTIN, SASHA, ALICIA,
10 ALANA, KAYLA, AMANDA AND KEVIN AND GREAT GRANDCHILDREN,
11 LINCOLN, JACKSON. HE WILL BE MISSED BY MANY. I MOVE TODAY THAT
12 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ANN ELIZABETH DUVALLY. ANN WAS BORN ON
13 FEBRUARY 26, 1961 IN ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA AND PASSED AWAY ON
14 JULY 18, 2016 AT THE AGE OF 55. SHE MOVED TO LOS ANGELES
15 COUNTY IN 1999 AND WORKED AS AN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTIES
16 LICENSE PHOTOGRAPHER AND ENJOYED POTTERY AND PHOTOGRAPHY IN
17 HER FREE TIME. SHE'LL BE REMEMBERED AS A LOVING WIFE,
18 DAUGHTER, SISTER AND FRIEND. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND,
19 L.A. COUNTY FIRE ASSISTANT CHIEF NICK DUVALLY, HER MOTHER,
20 MARY, HER SISTERS, BETH, MARSHA AND A HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY
21 MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WHO WILL MISS HER DEARLY. AND LASTLY,
22 MEMBERS, I'D LIKE TO READ THIS MOTION IN. "LAST WEEK THE 'LOS
23 ANGELES TIMES' REPORTED THAT THE MAYOR OF SOUTH EL MONTE, LUIS
24 AGUINAGA, AGREED TO PLEAD GUILTY TO A FEDERAL CORRUPTION
25 CHARGE ADMITTING TO ACCEPTING BRIBES AND OTHER BREACHES OF



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1 PUBLIC TRUST. IN ADDITION, A RECENT AUDIT CRITICIZED SOUTH EL
2 MONTE FOR INADVERTENTLY OVERSEEING ITS CONTRACTORS, ALLOWING
3 POTENTIALLY FRAUDULENT BEHAVIOR TO DRAIN PUBLIC FUNDS FROM
4 CITY COFFERS. LOCAL OFFICIALS SUCH AS SOUTH EL MONTE CITY
5 COUNCILMEMBER JOSEPH GONZALES HAS BROUGHT THIS ISSUE TO THE
6 ATTENTION OF STATE AND LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS. THESE
7 ALLEGATIONS DEMAND A THOROUGH AND INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION
8 INTO THE EXTENT OF CORRUPTION WITHIN THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT.
9 I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE
10 EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO SEND A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER TO
11 CALIFORNIA STATE CONTROLLER BETTY YEE REQUESTING A THOROUGH
12 REVIEW OF THE TRANSACTIONS IDENTIFIED BY THE SINGER LEWAK
13 L.L.P. AUDIT AND AN ASSESSMENT OF THE ADEQUACY OF THE CITY
14 ADMINISTRATIVE AND INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROLS FOR
15 SAFEGUARDING PUBLIC ASSETS AND ENSURING PROPER USE OF PUBLIC
16 FUNDS, AND CALIFORNIA STATE AUDITOR ELAINE HOWLE REQUESTING A
17 THOROUGH INVESTIGATION INTO THE IMPROPER GOVERNMENTAL
18 ACTIVITIES BY THE CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE EMPLOYEES AND THE
19 EXAMINATION OF THE CITY AS A HIGH-RISK LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCY
20 AND ANY OTHER APPROPRIATE STATE AGENCY AND TO FURTHER DIRECT
21 COUNTY COUNSEL TO REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD WITH A SUMMARY OF
22 THE FINDINGS OF ANY SUCH AUDIT AND SUMMARY OF THE ALLEGATIONS
23 CONTAINED IN THE FEDERAL PLEA AGREEMENT. I'D LIKE TO MOVE
24 THAT. IF I COULD HAVE A SECOND, SUPERVISOR KUEHL. AND FOR
25 NEXT... OKAY. SO THIS WILL BE REPORT BACK, YES.



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2 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** THE FIVE-SIGNATURE PORTION FOR NEXT
3 WEEK. THE REPORT BACK TODAY.

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5 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
6 ORDERED. MOVED AND SECONDED. OKAY. WE'LL BE BACK. SUPERVISOR
7 RIDLEY-THOMAS. IF NOT, SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

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9 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN
10 WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF VERONICA MOORE-BOSC,
11 A LIFELONG SANTA MONICA RESIDENT, GRADUATED FROM SANTA MONICA
12 HIGH SCHOOL, WAS THE VARSITY CHEER CAPTAIN, AND FOLLOWING HIGH
13 SCHOOL, SHE TRAVELED THE GLOBE AS A HOSTESS SUPERVISOR WITH
14 CLUB MED. IN 1998 SHE WAS DIAGNOSED WITH CANCER. AFTER HER
15 DIAGNOSIS, SHE WAS AN ACTIVE VOLUNTEER WITH THE AMERICAN
16 CANCER SOCIETY'S MAKING STRIDES AGAINST BREAST CANCER AND THE
17 RELAY FOR LIFE PROGRAMS, WHERE SHE SHARED HER TESTIMONY OF
18 CANCER, ENCOURAGING AUDIENCE MEMBERS OF THE IMPORTANCE OF
19 ROUTINE CHECKUPS. SHE LIVED FOR ANOTHER 18 YEARS AFTER HER
20 DIAGNOSIS AND INSPIRED EVERYONE WHO CAME IN CONTACT WITH HER.
21 IN ADDITION TO HER HUSBAND, GERARD BOSC, JR. AND HER SON
22 DAMIEN BOSC, SHE'S SURVIVED BY THREE BROTHERS, DEREK, ERIC AND
23 STEVEN MOORE. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE
24 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CLAUDE WILLIAMSON, THE WEST COAST JAZZ
25 PIANIST WHO DIED JULY 16TH. HE INFUSED WEST COAST JAZZ WITH



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1 BEBOP AND WAS ONE OF THE LAST SURVIVING LINKS TO THE EARLY
2 DAYS OF L.P. JAZZ RECORDING IN HOLLYWOOD. WHEN JAZZ RECORDING
3 SLOWED DOWN IN THE 1960S, HE WORKED AS A CONDUCTOR, COMPOSER
4 AND ARRANGER, NOTABLY ON "THE ANDY WILLIAMS SHOW," "SONNY AND
5 CHER," AND "DONNY AND MARIE." HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE DEANNE
6 AND SONS MARC AND SHAWN. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY
7 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SHERMAN MELLINKOFF, DEAN OF THE
8 U.C.L.A. SCHOOL OF MEDICINE FOR NEARLY 25 YEARS, WHO DIED ON
9 JULY 17TH. HE'S CREDITED WITH ESTABLISHING U.C.L.A. AS A
10 WORLD-CLASS HOME FOR MEDICAL EDUCATION AND RESEARCH. UNDER HIS
11 GUIDANCE, THE SCHOOL DEVELOPED ITS AMBITIOUS TRANSPLANT
12 PROGRAM AND ITS FACULTY GREW TO 1,200 PROFESSORS. BY THE TIME
13 HE RETIRED IN 1986, THE SCHOOL'S ANNUAL BUDGET HAD GROWN MORE
14 THAN TENFOLD FROM \$15 MILLION TO \$180 MILLION. HE'S SURVIVED
15 BY TWO CHILDREN, ALBERT AND SHERRI MELLINKOFF. AND, MADAME
16 CHAIR, I'D LIKE TO MOVE TODAY A MOTION THAT RELATES TO A
17 REWARD THAT WE WILL OFFER. LET ME READ THE MOTION, WHICH I
18 PRESENT FOR A VOTE TODAY. "ON SATURDAY, JULY 23RD, AT ABOUT
19 11:15 P.M., DR. BRUCE LEE WAS A VICTIM OF ASSAULT AND BATTERY
20 AND SUFFERED SERIOUS INJURIES NEAR WINDWARD AVENUE AND PACIFIC
21 AVENUE IN VENICE. THE SUSPECTS, TWO MALE AND ONE FEMALE,
22 APPROACHED DR. LEE WHILE HE WAS IN HIS VEHICLE AND BEGAN
23 SHOUTING LOUDLY AT HIM, DEMANDING THAT HE PAY THEM \$150 FOR
24 ALLEGEDLY DAMAGING A BICYCLE PARKED NEARBY. ONE OF THE MALE
25 SUSPECTS ENTERED THE VEHICLE FROM THE PASSENGER SIDE AND



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1 BRUTALLY BEAT DR. LEE WITH A HANDGUN. DR. LEE WAS SUBSEQUENTLY
2 TRANSPORTED TO THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA HOSPITAL IN CULVER
3 CITY, WHERE HE WAS TREATED FOR HIS INJURIES. THE L.A.P.D. IS
4 SEEKING THE PUBLIC'S HELP IN SOLVING THIS CRIME. WE THEREFORE
5 MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OFFER A \$10,000 REWARD IN
6 EXCHANGE FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND/OR
7 CONVICTION OF THE SUSPECTS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE HEINOUS ASSAULT
8 AND BATTERY OF DR. BRUCE LEE IN VENICE."

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10 **SUP. KNABE:** SECOND.

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12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED AND SECONDED. WITHOUT
13 OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER. OKAY, SUPERVISOR KNABE?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I WOULD MOVE THAT WE
16 ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF MARTI MCKINSEY. SHE WAS A LONGTIME
17 RESIDENT OF LONG BEACH, WHERE SHE LIVED WITH HER LATE HUSBAND
18 THOMAS. SHE PASSED AWAY AT HER HOME AT THE AGE OF 87. SHE
19 TAUGHT ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS AT
20 LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE. SHE WAS VERY ACTIVE WITH THE WOMEN'S
21 LEAGUE OF VOTERS AND OTHER POLITICAL AND SOCIAL GROUPS. HER
22 REAL PASSION, HOWEVER, WAS DANCING, TO WHICH SHE GAVE HERSELF
23 FOR AS LONG AS SHE WAS ABLE, AND SHE TRULY ENJOYED HER LIFE.
24 SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER THREE CHILDREN AND HER GRANDSON. SHE
25 WILL BE TRULY MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW HER. THIS ADJOURNMENT IS



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1 IN CONJUNCTION WITH SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, AND THAT'S
2 THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ARTHUR FREDERICK GERDES, BETTER
3 KNOWN AS ART GERDES, WHO WAS BORN ON DECEMBER 2, 1930 IN
4 COFFEEVILLE, KANSAS. HE PASSED AWAY ON JULY 4TH IN FULLERTON
5 AT THE AGE OF 85. HE MOVED TO COMPTON AS A YOUNG CHILD WITH
6 HIS FAMILY. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY FROM 1951 TO
7 '54. HE WAS A VETERAN OF THE KOREAN WAR. WHILE IN THE SERVICE,
8 HE MET HIS WIFE PHORA, WHOM HE MARRIED IN 1952. AFTER LEAVING
9 THE MILITARY, ART WAS A SUCCESSFUL REAL ESTATE BROKER. HE WAS
10 A LEADER AND STATESMAN OF THE CITY OF NORWALK, OFTEN REFERRED
11 TO AS MR. NORWALK, MR. KIWANIS, WAS MUCH BELOVED IN HIS
12 COMMUNITY, SERVING 20 YEARS AS CITY COUNCILMAN AND FOUR TERMS
13 AS MAYOR. AND I WAS ON THE CITY COUNCIL HIS LAST TWO YEARS IN
14 OFFICE FROM 1980 TO '82 IN THE CITY OF CERRITOS. HE WAS A
15 PROFESSOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION IN THE MASTER'S PROGRAM
16 AT CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH. ART WAS ALSO A
17 LONGTIME MEMBER, AS I MENTIONED EARLIER, OF THE KIWANIS
18 INTERNATIONAL AS WELL AS THE MASONS. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR
19 HIS LOVE OF OUTDOORS, SERVING THE COMMUNITY, PARTICULARLY THE
20 CITY OF NORWALK, AND A FONDNESS FOR HIS FAMILY. HE IS SURVIVED
21 BY HIS CHILDREN, BRET, COLLEEN, KATE, SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN,
22 FOUR GREAT- GRANDCHILDREN, NIECES, INCLUDING KATHLEEN AUSTRIA,
23 NEPHEWS, AND A HOST OF FAMILY, FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES AND
24 MEMBERS OF THE MASONS AND KIWANIS COMMUNITY WHO WILL MISS HIM
25 DEARLY. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION. SUPERVISOR
3 ANTONOVICH.

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5 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN
6 IN MEMORY OF THE HONORABLE LEONARD MARTYNS, WHO PASSED AWAY ON
7 JULY 20TH AT THE AGE OF 81, GRADUATE OF U.C.L.A., FORMER
8 PROFESSOR AND ASSOCIATE DEAN OF INSTRUCTION AT CHAFFEY
9 COLLEGE. HE WAS FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE CARLSBAD CHARITABLE
10 FOUNDATION, MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HOSPICE
11 AND NORTH COAST, MEMBER OF THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES
12 ASSOCIATION, MEMBER OF THE GLENDORA CITY COUNCIL SERVING AS
13 MAYOR FROM 1989 TO 1990, AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND
14 THEIR TWO DAUGHTERS. DONALD SHERIDAN BRADY PASSED AWAY AT THE
15 AGE OF 85, A STANFORD GRADUATE AND THE GRADUATE SCHOOL FROM
16 U.S.C., WHERE HE EARNED HIS MASTER'S DEGREE AND THEN HIS LAW
17 DEGREE WITH SOME LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL. WAS A MEMBER OF THE PHI
18 ALPHA DELTA LAW FRATERNITY, SIGMA NU FRATERNITY, THE STANFORD
19 CLUB, THE STANFORD JUNIOR WELLNESS OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, AND
20 THE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION, SUCCESSFUL CAREER AS A FINANCIAL
21 PLANNER, A REGISTERED INVESTMENT ADVISOR, AND A FORMER
22 ASSISTANT UNITED STATES ATTORNEY. HE HAD FOUNDED AND OWNED A
23 FINANCIAL COMPANY FOR OVER 40 YEARS, AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
24 SEVEN CHILDREN. AUDRIA IRENE DAVIES, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF
25 ANTELOPE VALLEY, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 95. AND SHE'S



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1 SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND JOSEPH AND THEIR DAUGHTERS JANE,
2 MARILYN AND DIANA AND SON JOSEPH AND THEIR FIVE GRANDCHILDREN.
3 HER HUSBAND JOE WAS A FORMER COUNCILMEMBER AND MAYOR OF
4 PALMDALE. SHE WAS A WONDERFUL LADY, ALWAYS FULL OF LIFE AND A
5 GOOD SUPPORT FOR HER FAMILY AND A GOOD ROLE MODEL FOR THE
6 ENTIRE NOT JUST ANTELOPE VALLEY BUT FOR THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY.
7 JAMES "JIM" JONES, JR., RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA, PASSED AWAY
8 AT THE AGE OF 75, A NAVY VETERAN, DRAFTSMAN AT ROCKETDYNE, AND
9 PROJECT MANAGER AND CONSTRUCTION DIRECTOR FOR MAGIC MOUNTAIN
10 AND NEWHALL LAND AND FARM. HE'S RETIRED FROM C.W. DRIVER
11 CONSTRUCTION IN 2003, AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND THEIR
12 CHILDREN. HENRY FORD SALVATORI, SON OF HENRY AND GRACE, PASSED
13 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 76, AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS COMPANION
14 JOYCE AND SISTER LAURIE AND NEPHEW FORD. THOMAS FRANKLIN
15 SAVAGE, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF ARCADIA, GRADUATE OF LOYOLA
16 MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY, WAS IN THE BANKING INDUSTRY FOR OVER 50
17 YEARS, SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE JULIE AND THEIR FOUR CHILDREN. DR.
18 ROBERT HAROLD TEAGLE, SR., LONGTIME RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA,
19 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 90, A U.S. NAVY VETERAN, AND HAD A
20 66-YEAR CAREER IN OPTOMETRY, AND HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND
21 THEIR FOUR CHILDREN. OFFICER JONATHAN DEGUZMAN. JONATHAN WAS A
22 MEMBER OF THE SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPARTMENT GANG SUPPRESSION
23 UNIT AND WAS ASSASSINATED ON JULY 28TH AT THE AGE OF 43. 16-
24 YEAR VETERAN, RECIPIENT OF THE PURPLE HEART IN 2003,
25 MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD IN MARCH 2016. AND DEGUZMAN IS



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1 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND THEIR TWO CHILDREN. LEON STEWART,
2 RETIRED DEPUTY LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND
3 VETERAN OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY, PASSED AWAY. TABATHA
4 CARTER, LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, PASSED AWAY
5 ON JULY 24TH. HER LAST UNIT OF ASSIGNMENT WAS THE EDELMAN
6 CHILDREN'S COURT. BILL DAILEY, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 95,
7 U.S. NAVY VETERAN AND RETIRED SERGEANT DETECTIVE IN THE LOS
8 ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT, SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND THEIR TWO
9 CHILDREN. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO HAVE A MOTION. "ON JULY 5TH,
10 SALVADOR ESPARZA, A FOUR-YEAR-OLD BOY, WAS A VICTIM OF A FATAL
11 SHOOTING IN THE 300 BLOCK OF WEST FIGUEROA DRIVE IN ALTADENA.
12 HE SUFFERED A SINGLE GUNSHOT WOUND TO HIS HEAD AND WAS
13 SUBSEQUENTLY PRONOUNCED DEAD AT THE HUNTINGTON MEMORIAL
14 HOSPITAL. ANOTHER GUNSHOT VICTIM WAS A 27-YEAR-OLD MALE WHO
15 WAS TRANSPORTED TO HUNTINGTON MEMORIAL, WHERE HE WAS TREATED
16 FOR HIS INJURY. ACCORDING TO WITNESSES, THE SUSPECT CHASED A
17 MALE BLACK ADULT ONTO THE PROPERTY AND SHOT AT THE MALE,
18 STRIKING BOTH VICTIMS. THE SUSPECT THEN RAN SOUTH ON OLIVE
19 AVENUE. ACCORDING TO SHERIFF HOMICIDE DETECTIVES, THE SUSPECT
20 IS BELIEVED TO BE A GANG MEMBER, AND THE SHOOTING IS BELIEVED
21 TO BE GANG-RELATED. HOWEVER, DETECTIVES DO NOT BELIEVE THAT
22 VICTIM ESPARZA OR HIS FAMILY WERE THE INTENDED TARGET. I MOVE
23 THAT THE BOARD OFFER A REWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,000 IN
24 EXCHANGE FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND/OR
25 CONVICTION OF THE SUSPECT OR SUSPECTS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE



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1 FATAL SHOOTING OF FOUR-YEAR-OLD SALVADOR ESPARZA ON JULY 5,
2 2016 IN ALTADENA. AND THE CONTACTS ARE YOUR LOCAL SHERIFF'S
3 STATION OR YOU CAN CALL L.A.S.D.'S HOMICIDE BUREAU, SERGEANT
4 JOHN O'BRIEN, 323-574-0461, OR SERGEANT DOMINICK RECCHIA, 323-
5 574-2851, OR JUST CONTACT YOUR LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT AND
6 THEY WILL FORWARD YOU TO THE CORRECT PERSON.

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8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MOVED AND SECONDED. SO WE CAN GO
9 AHEAD AND VOTE ON THAT NOW.

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11 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** SO MOVED.

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13 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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15 **SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN, I HAD RECEIVED A LETTER
16 FROM A DAVID MACK. TO ASK OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OFFICER TO --
17 THIS WAS A COMPLAINT WHICH IS INTERESTING, BUT IT'S FROM OUR
18 POLL WORKERS. AND IF WE CAN LOOK AT THE COMPENSATION, BECAUSE
19 WE ARE NOW OFFERING -- REQUIRING MORE TIMES FOR TRAINING, ET
20 CETERA, ET CETERA. AND I'LL GIVE THIS LETTER. YOU CAN REVIEW
21 IT AND MAKE A REPORT TO THE BOARD. AND THEN, ONCE AGAIN, AS OF
22 YESTERDAY AND TODAY, HAVE RECEIVED AGAIN COMPLAINTS FROM
23 PEOPLE FROM ALISO CANYON'S GAS LEAK THAT THEY ARE NOT BEING
24 REIMBURSED FOR THEIR COSTS. SO WE'RE GETTING THEM OVER TO OUR
25 DIRECTOR OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND OUR COUNTY COUNSEL SO THAT



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1 CAN BE PART OF THE RECORD WHEN WE GO BACK TO COURT BEFORE THE
2 JUDGE TO ENSURE THAT ALL OF THESE PEOPLE ARE FULLY REIMBURSED
3 FOR ALL OF THE COSTS THAT WERE INCURRED AS A RESULT OF THE OIL
4 LEAK. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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6 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. WITHOUT OBJECTION. PUBLIC
7 COMMENT? RUTH SARNOFF. THEN WE'LL GO LANCASTER. PERRY
8 GOLDBERG. JUAN LEAL, HERE IN THE H.O.A., AND ARNOLD SACHS.
9 RUTH SARNOFF? DID SHE LEAVE? LET'S GO LANCASTER.

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11 **PERRY GOLDBERG:** HELLO. GOOD AFTERNOON, AND THANK YOU ALL FOR
12 YOUR SERVICE TO THE COUNTY. I REALLY APPRECIATE IT. MY NAME IS
13 PERRY GOLDBERG. I'M SPEARHEADING A NONPROFIT CALLED THRIVE
14 L.A. WE'RE WORKING ON DEVELOPING A BLUEPRINT FOR ULTRA-
15 AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR VETERANS IN COMMUNITIES THAT ARE OFF-
16 GRID AND WHERE EACH OF THE VETERANS HAVE JOBS IN THE
17 COMMUNITY. I WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT RELATING TO THE RECENT
18 FIRES, AND, OF COURSE, AN OUNCE OF PREVENTION IS WORTH A POUND
19 OF CURE. I KNOW THAT THE COUNTY HAS ITS FUEL-REDUCTION
20 PROGRAM, AND I BELIEVE IT COULD BE EXPANDED TO PROVIDE JOBS
21 FOR VETERANS AND FOR OTHERS. AND I THINK IT'S ESSENTIAL THAT
22 WE ADDRESS THE FUEL ISSUE IN A MEANINGFUL WAY. SO, THE CURRENT
23 PROGRAM REQUIRES PEOPLE TO CLEAR THEIR BRUSH AND THEY CAN BE
24 SUBJECT TO FINES IF THEY DON'T DO IT. IT'S REALLY FOCUSED ON
25 PEOPLE WHO HAVE PARCELS WITH STRUCTURES. AND TO MY KNOWLEDGE,



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1 THERE ARE NO SUCH ENFORCEMENT MEASURES FOR PEOPLE WHO DON'T
2 HAVE STRUCTURES. OF COURSE, WE HAVE 42,000 PARCELS IN THE
3 NORTHERN PART OF THE COUNTY WITH NO STRUCTURES, HUNDREDS OF
4 THOUSANDS OF ACRES. I WOULD ENCOURAGE THE COUNTY TO CONSIDER A
5 PROGRAM WHERE IF LAND OWNERS DO NOT CLEAR THEIR BRUSH BY A
6 CERTAIN DATE, THE COUNTY HIRES VETERANS AND OTHERS TO DO THAT
7 BRUSH WORK. THEY CAN HAVE SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENT WHERE THEY CAN
8 TURN THAT BRUSH INTO SAWDUST AND WOOD CHIPS AND OTHER THINGS
9 THAT WHEN GATHERED IN BULK CAN BE USED FOR OTHER PURPOSES LIKE
10 BIOFUEL, COMPOST, ET CETERA. AND I WOULD ENCOURAGE US TO LOOK
11 AT WHAT MALIBU IS DOING IN THE LAS VIRGENES MUNICIPAL WATER
12 DISTRICT. MY SECOND POINT IS THAT I THINK WE SHOULD ENCOURAGE
13 AGRICULTURE AND AGRICULTURAL ZONES. A BIG HURDLE RIGHT NOW IS
14 THAT YOU CANNOT GET ELECTRICITY TO YOUR LAND WITHOUT AN
15 ADDRESS AND YOU CAN'T GET AN ADDRESS WITHOUT A BUILDING
16 PERMIT. IF WE LET LAND OWNERS HAVE AN ADDRESS TO DO
17 AGRICULTURE, THAT WOULD ENABLE PEOPLE TO USE THEIR
18 AGRICULTURAL LAND TO PLANT FIRE- RESISTANT CROPS, LIKE THEY
19 HAVE DONE IN ISRAEL.

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21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU. JOHN
22 WALSH? JUAN LEAL? ARNOLD SACHS?

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24 **ARNOLD SACHS:** AGAIN, NO BOSTON OLYMPICS. NO OLYMPICS. SAFER
25 STREETS. BETTER HOUSING. BETTER SCHOOLS. A COUPLE OF THINGS.



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1 THERE WAS A STORY IN THE NEWSPAPER ON JULY 26TH ABOUT A FIRE
2 IN JAPAN. IT WAS A HOME FOR THE DISABLED IN A RESIDENTIAL
3 NEIGHBORHOOD NEAR SEVERAL CITY SCHOOLS. IT HOUSES UP TO 100
4 PEOPLE WHO REQUIRE HELP WITH BATHING, EATING, AND DAILY
5 FUNCTIONS, ACCORDING TO THE WEBSITE, TRAGEDY OF THE FIRE. THE
6 FACILITY CONSTRUCTED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT IS RUN BY THE
7 SOCIAL WELFARE, CONSTRUCTED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT, RUN BY
8 SOCIAL WELFARE. HOW MANY UNITS ARE YOU CONSTRUCTING FOR
9 HOUSING? GOOD ANSWER. BACK TO THE METRO SALES TAX, THIS IS A
10 STORY I DIDN'T GET TO INCLUDE THIS IN MY COMMENTARY EARLIER
11 FROM 3/31/13. PUSH GROWTH TO LOWER TAX VOTE REQUIREMENT. IT
12 REFERS TO ANTONOVICH, WHO OPPOSED MEASURE J AND ITS 2008
13 PREDECESSOR, MEASURE R, WHICH INCREASED COUNTY SALES TAXES BY
14 A HALF A CENT. DURING ONE TIRADE ON THE ISSUE, ANTONOVICH
15 INFAMOUSLY COMPARED VILLARAIGOSA'S CAMPAIGN TACTICS ON MEASURE
16 R TO GANG RAPE. HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT R.2? RUTH BADER GINSBURG
17 WAS IN THE NEWS. STORY. AND SHE HAS TAKEN UP ACTING. SHE'S
18 PLAYED DICK THE BUTCHER IN A WASHINGTON, D.C. PRODUCTION OF
19 "HENRY VI," RECITING THE OFTEN QUOTED LINE, "FIRST THING WE
20 DO, WE KILL ALL THE LAWYERS." HOW ABOUT THAT? AND BY THE WAY,
21 HOW COME WE AREN'T GETTING COMMENT FROM ANY OF THE SUPERVISORS
22 ON ANY OF THE ELECTIONS GOING ON? YOU CAN HEAR FROM A SUPREME
23 COURT JUSTICE, BUT YOU CAN'T HEAR BOO FROM THE SUPERVISORS.
24 BUT YOU CAN HEAR BOO FROM THE SUPERVISORS. THAT WOULD BE A
25 GOOD STORY.



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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** MARTINEZ, JOHN WALSH, JUAN LEAL, ERIC
3 PREVEN, OSCAR MOHAMMED.

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5 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG OR
6 JWALSH CONFIDENTIAL, TWEETING @HOLLYWOODDEMS. I DON'T KNOW IF
7 YOU HEARD THE NEWS EARLIER THIS MORNING IN NEW YORK CITY. BILL
8 BRATTON UNEXPECTEDLY QUIT HIS JOB. NOT A JOKE. NOT A JOKE.
9 YOU'LL FIND OUT. AND AS A RESULT, HE WILL BE LEAVING IN
10 SEPTEMBER. THIS IS A GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE BOARD OF
11 SUPERVISORS. WE HAVE A MAJOR VACUUM TO FILL HERE. LEE BACA IS
12 GOING TO BE GOING TO PRISON, AND HE DOESN'T WORK HERE ANYMORE.
13 LET'S HIRE BILL BRATTON. HE CLEANED UP THE CITY, THE L.A.P.D.,
14 AND HE CAN CLEAN UP WHAT HE NEEDS TO DO WITH THE SHERIFFS. AS
15 FAR AS MEASURE R.2 IS CONCERNED, IT IS A FOREVER TAX. IT NEVER
16 ENDS. IT'S PERPETUAL. IT ALLOWS YOU A BLANK CHECK FOR
17 TRILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN THE NEXT 100 YEARS IN COST OVERRUNS.
18 IT IS A MONSTER AND IT MUST BE DEFEATED AND R.2 WILL BE
19 DEFEATED, JUST AS WE DEFEATED THE PREVIOUS FOUR YEARS AGO, THE
20 PREVIOUS TAX, WHICH WASN'T A PERPETUAL TAX. SO, NOW YOU WANT
21 US TO VOTE A BLANK CHECK TO YOU PEOPLE SO THAT THERE ARE NO
22 COST OVERRUNS. IF YOU VOTE IN R.2, HALF CENT SALES TAX
23 FOREVER, THEN THERE IS NEVER A DEBT. HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.

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25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** NEXT SPEAKER.



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2 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN, AND I'M READING FROM

3 AUGUST 1, "NEW YORK TIMES," "THIS IS YOUR LIFE BROUGHT TO YOU

4 BY PRIVATE EQUITY. YOU WAKE UP THIRSTY. A FEW YEARS AGO, THAT

5 GLASS OF WATER MIGHT HAVE COME FROM YOUR LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

6 TODAY IT COULD BE COURTESY OF A PRIVATE EQUITY FIRM. IT MAY

7 TASTE THE SAME, BUT THERE'S A GOOD CHANCE YOUR BILL'S GONE UP.

8 PRIVATE EQUITY FIRMS ARE ESSENTIALLY SAVVY BARGAIN HUNTERS.

9 THEY MAKE MONEY BUY BUYING UP BUSINESSES THEY CONSIDER TO BE

10 UNDERPERFORMING LOOKING TO MAXIMIZE PROFITS AND EVENTUALLY

11 SELL OFF. THESE INVESTORS HAVE LOTS OF MONEY AT THEIR

12 DISPOSAL, MAINLY FROM RICH INDIVIDUALS AND PENSION FUNDS. THEY

13 ALSO FACE FEWER REGULATIONS THAN THE BANKS. SINCE THE 2008

14 FINANCIAL CRISIS, THEY'VE EXPANDED THEIR HORIZONS AND HAVE

15 BEGUN SHOPPING FOR BARGAINS IN NEW PLACES. THEIR REACH IS

16 PROBABLY ALL AROUND YOU, FROM THE CLOCK ON YOUR WALL TO THE

17 TOILET PAPER IN YOUR BATHROOM. AND NOW PRIVATE EQUITY FIRMS

18 ARE INCREASINGLY TAKING OVER SERVICES USUALLY RESERVED FOR THE

19 GOVERNMENT. LET'S SAY LIKE MOST AMERICANS, YOU DRIVE TO WORK.

20 THESE ROADS, BRIDGES, AND HIGHWAYS ARE INCREASINGLY MAINTAINED

21 BY WALL STREET INVESTORS. THEY EITHER OWN THE ROAD OR MANAGE

22 IT ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT'S BEHALF. WHEN YOU GET TO THE

23 OFFICE, WALL STREET FIRMS CAN ALSO BE FOUND IN YOUR PARKING

24 GARAGE, WHERE THEY COLLECT YOUR CASH. EVEN IF YOU DON'T DRIVE

25 TO WORK, PRIVATE EQUITY CAN FOLLOW YOU ONTO TRAINS, TOO. A BIG



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1 PRIVATE EQUITY FIRM CALLED FORTRESS INVESTMENT GROUP IS
2 BUILDING A LINE IN FLORIDA THAT PROMISES TO GET PEOPLE FROM
3 MIAMI TO ORLANDO FASTER. THE LINES PLAN TO RUN 32 TRAINS A
4 DAY, MAKING FOUR STOPS ALTOGETHER. SOME TOWNS WITHOUT STOPS
5 COMPLAIN THEY WILL GET THE ANNOYANCES OF TRAIN TRAFFIC,
6 INCLUDING NOISE AND DELAYS, WITHOUT THE ECONOMIC BENEFITS OF
7 HAVING A STATION. FORTRESS FOR ITS PART SAID ITS PROJECT IS
8 CREATING JOBS AND TAKING CARE OF THE ROAD -- TAKING CARS OFF
9 THE ROAD. PRIVATE EQUITY ALSO HELPS OVERSEE PUBLIC GOLF
10 COURSES IN SEVERAL STATES. IT BUILDS COURTHOUSES. IT INVESTS
11 IN PRIVATE SCHOOLS DOWN THE STREET. AND IN THE LOCAL
12 NEWSPAPER, MEDIA INVESTMENT GROUP, WHICH OPERATES IN 31
13 STATES, IS ASSOCIATED WITH FORTRESS TO FIRMS BUILDING THE
14 TRAIN IN FLORIDA."

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16 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU. MR. MOHAMMED. OSCAR
17 MOHAMMED. YOUR TIME'S UP, ERIC. OSCAR MOHAMMED. START THE
18 CLOCK.

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20 **OSCAR MOHAMMED:** YES, BY THE ELECTION ENVIRONMENT AND OUR
21 ENVIRONMENT AND A NONSERIOUS ENVIRONMENT IS AN ENEMY TO ALL
22 MANKIND. BUT ANYWAY, OUR LEADERSHIP IS IN CRISIS. WE HAVE NO
23 CHECKS IN OUR GOVERNMENT AND NO CHECKS ON OUR GOVERNMENT. WE
24 HAVE NON-CITIZENS DOWN ON CRENSHAW FROM ANOTHER PART OF THE
25 WORLD. THEY ANNOY ME VERY OFTEN. AND I DO NOT WANT TO GET A



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1 FIREARM TO PROTECT MYSELF. WE SHOULD HAVE A BETTER MAYOR TO
2 KNOW WHO WE HAVE IN THIS CITY UNDER HIS AUTHORITY. THE WEST IS
3 AT WAR WITH ISLAM. THE WICKED GOVERNMENT DO NOT WANT ISLAM TO
4 SPREAD. WE HAVE RACISM IN POLITICS. THE CONSTITUTION SAYS ONE
5 RACE SHOULD NOT HAVE AUTHORITY OVER ANOTHER RACE. A WHITE RACE
6 SHOULD NOT HAVE AUTHORITY OVER BLACK PEOPLE. BUT WE SHOULD END
7 POLICE BRUTALITY. THE POLICE MAY SHOOT FIRST, AND THEY ASK
8 QUESTIONS LATER. THEY SHOOT YOU IN THE BACK, AND THEY'LL SHOOT
9 YOU IN THE BACK OF THE HEAD WITHOUT ANY ACCOUNTABILITY. WE
10 HAVE GROSSLY -- WE HAVE MISMANAGEMENT OF THE RESOURCES. WE
11 SHOULD END THE HOMELESS ON SKID ROW. ONE PERSON SAID THAT THE
12 MASS SHOULD GIVE THE HOMELESS A TICKET AND A LUNCH BAG AND
13 SEND THEM BACK TO WHERE THEY COME FROM. BUT THAT SOUNDS LIKE
14 IT WOULD BE THE END OF THAT MONEY TRAIN AND THE END OF THAT
15 EXPLOITATION THEY RECEIVE FOR THE HOMELESS, BUT THE HOMELESS
16 DON'T GET ANY BENEFIT FOR THEIR FAIR SHARE. BUT THE JUSTICE
17 SYSTEM DISRESPECTS THEIR OBLIGATION FOR JUSTICE. BUT A BLACK
18 AMERICA SHOULD NEVER -- WOULD NEVER GET JUSTICE IN AMERICA.
19 BUT THE BLACK AMERICA IS VERY THIN IN LOS ANGELES. MAJORITY OF
20 DARK PEOPLE YOU SEE IN LOS ANGELES, THEY ARE NOT AMERICAN
21 CITIZENS. THEY ARE FROM OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD AND DO HARM
22 TO EVERYTHING THEY SEE IN LOS ANGELES. WE SHOULD HAVE BETTER
23 PROTECTION AGAINST THOSE TYPE OF PEOPLE AMONG US.

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25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU.



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2 **RUTH SARNOFF:** I JUST WANTED TO ADDRESS THE QUESTION OF THE
3 MILLIONAIRES TAX AND THE FAILURE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO
4 -- AND GOVERNOR BROWN TO APPROVE THE RAISING OF TAX MONEY
5 LOCALLY HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I WOULD HAVE HOPED THAT
6 THERE WOULD BE MORE PUSHBACK FROM THIS COUNTY BODY FOR
7 PURPOSES OF BEING ABLE TO GO FOR IT IF IT WAS ALMOST 100
8 PERCENT GUARANTEE OF PASSAGE IF IT COULD JUST GET ON THE
9 BALLOT. AND WE DON'T NEED BAND-AIDS ANYMORE, BECAUSE BAND-AIDS
10 DON'T MEAN ANYTHING ANYMORE. WE KEEP ROLLING PEOPLE INTO
11 POVERTY. IF YOU GO TO CITY COUNCIL, YOU'LL SEE THEM TO WHERE
12 THEY APPROVE ALL THESE BIG PROJECTS, AND EVERY ONE OF THE
13 PROJECTS THAT GOES IN ROLLS A BUNCH MORE PEOPLE INTO
14 HOMELESSNESS. YOU'RE IN A PIT HOLE WITH HOMELESSNESS UNLESS
15 YOU DO SOMETHING MASSIVE, AND I THINK THAT YOU SHOULD GO BACK
16 TO SACRAMENTO AND PUSH SOME MORE ON IT. I SEE NO REASON WHY
17 ALL OF THE ORGANIZATIONS AND THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN
18 STRUGGLING AROUND THIS FOR YEARS AND YEARS AND YEARS AND YEARS
19 AND YEARS CAN'T BE HEARD IN SACRAMENTO. CALL A SPECIAL HEARING
20 OR DO SOMETHING, BUT THIS IS NOT RIGHT. WE DON'T JUST GO
21 SOMEPLACE AND ASK FOR SOMETHING AND THEY SAY NO AND THEN YOU
22 SAY, OH, OKAY, OKAY. YOU RUN BACK HOME AND YOU SAY SOMETHING.
23 WE'LL DO SOMETHING ELSE. THIS IS NOT A SOLUTION. WHEN -- WELL,
24 MY TIME IS UP.

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1 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** WE'LL NOW BE READ INTO CLOSED
2 SESSION.

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4 **LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT
5 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF
6 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO.
7 C.S.-1, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT
8 EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, TWO CASES; AND ITEM NO. C.S.-2,
9 DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS, AS INDICATED ON THE
10 POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDAS.

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